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SCHOOL NEWS

*“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”
Hebrews 13:8*

What a blessed year we have had at St. Paul’s Lutheran School as we focused on the blessings of grace and life eternal that we receive not from our own merit, but “Only Jesus”. We are thankful that throughout the year 135 children and their families have had the opportunity to hear about the gift of Jesus each day at school! This month we will be celebrating the many blessings God has bestowed on us throughout the 2017-2018 school year. We also ask for His continued blessing on the ministries of St. Paul’s Lutheran School to the children and families of Beatrice.

We have many fun field trips planned this month. The 1st Grade will be traveling to Pioneers Park and the Lincoln Children’s Zoo. The 2nd Grade will be visiting Memorial Stadium and Morrill Hall. The 4th Graders will be enjoying a one room school day at Freeman School, and the wonders of the prairie at Nature Connection. These trips make learning hands on and exciting for our students.

On Friday, May 4th, we will be hosting the annual Field Day sponsored by St. Paul’s Lutheran School. It begins at 10:00 a.m. and five other Christian schools from the surrounding area will be joining us for the track and field events. We are excited to welcome St. Paul Plymouth, Good Shepherd Lincoln, Good Shepherd Marysville, St. Joseph’s Beatrice and Linn Lutheran to our school for the day. Please come and join us as we celebrate the athletic talents of our students and enjoy Christian fellowship with our community!

This year Fifth Grade Graduation will take place on Sunday, May 13th, during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. There will be a reception beginning at 9:30 a.m. during the Bible Class hour to honor our 5th grade graduates.

Our 2018 Fifth Grade Graduates are:

Isaias Achtemeier	Makenna Crook	Ethan Jobman	Jeremiah Klaus
Morgan Maschmann	Kendall Oates	Owen Reis	Tobin Robinson
Brooklyn Schafer	Taylor Schuster		

The last day of school will be Friday, May 18th. Chapel will begin at 11:15 a.m. and dismissal will be at 11:45 a.m. That evening, we will celebrate the close of the school year with the PTL Hot Dog Meal and School Carnival which begins at 6:00 p.m. The Board of Education will be serving hot dogs and chips, and parents are encouraged to bring a side dish to share. The carnival will begin at 6:30 p.m. with carnival games and fun for the whole family. You are all invited to attend these special celebrations!

We thank you for your continued support of our school with your thoughts, prayers and gifts. Have a blessed summer!

In Christ,
Amy Duever



May at St. Paul's Lutheran School:

- 4 – Field Days 10:00am – 3:00pm
- 13 – 5th Grade Graduation 10:30am
Reception at 9:15am
- 16 – Last Day of Pre-Kindergarten
- 17 – Last Day of Pre-School
- 18 – End of 4th Quarter
- 18 – Dismissal at 11:45am

Our St. Paul's students will be singing in church
on the following Sunday:

May 13
Dates are subject to change.



TACO JOHN'S NIGHT: Monday, May 14th will be St. Paul's night out at Taco John's! From 5:00-8:00pm Taco John's will donate 15% of their proceeds from dine in and drive thru sales to St. Paul's Lutheran School. Please mark your calendars and come eat out with our church and school family!

CHURCH USAGE POLICY: All requests to use the church for a meeting or activity (i.e. – the fellowship hall for a baby shower or meeting, etc.) must be approved by the church office. If you would like to reserve the church, contact the church office. If your request is approved, Kelly will confirm with you the date is available. If your request is not received by the church office prior to scheduling your event you may not be able to hold your event.

We need your radio voice! The evangelism committee has recently started doing a voiceover during the 8:00 service on KWBE. The voiceover invites the community members to church and gives our phone number if anyone would like to call. We are asking for others to be the voice of St. Paul's. The spots are short (about 40 seconds). We can have a script available or you can make up your own. Please contact Carissa Hoops or Eric Klaus for more information or to make your recording. Thank you!

THANK YOU to the gracious people at the BSDC for preparing our monthly newsletters for mailing this month. We sincerely appreciate their volunteer work and a job well done.

Radio Broadcasts and Bulletin Sponsorships are available for 2018. Radio sponsorship cost \$100 and bulletin sponsorship cost \$20. Please call Kelly in the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a date.

BULLETINS RECEIVED

Date	Name	Church, City, State
March 30	Robert & Lorelie Ankersen	Christ Lutheran Church, Lincoln, NE
April 1	Arvid & Althea Wiest	Hope Lutheran Church, Shawnee, KS
March 29	Floice Meyer	Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Dodge City, KS
March 30	Floice Meyer	Our Father Lutheran Church, Centennial, CO
April 1	Floice Meyer	Our Father Lutheran Church, Centennial, CO

9:00am-12:00pm and
1:00pm-4:00pm,
Monday thru Friday

The office may be closed on
occasion, so please call
ahead.



Hours that Pastor Wiest will be in the
church office will be printed in the
bulletin and in the June newsletter.
Anyone needing/wishing to visit
personally with pastor, please contact
the church office. Pastor Wiest can also
be reached at
revmeisterorlcs@gmail.com.



Every Sunday
8:00am & 10:30am - Divine Services

Every Monday
7:00pm - Divine Service



ADULT BIBLE CLASS on Sunday Mornings at 9:15am:

Join us during May as we continue spending time
in God's Word together as a congregation.
Everyone is encouraged to attend.



CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

Third Quarter Voter's Meeting
Sunday, July 15, 2018

Voter's Meeting at 1:30pm in the church basement

In the event the meeting on July 15th is cancelled,
it will be rescheduled for Sunday, July 22nd at 1:30pm in
the church basement.

May Birthdays & Anniversaries - 2018

Happy Birthday to...

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|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 James Boyer | Rick Koenig | Helen Wright |
| Dale Hagemeyer | Robert Scheideler | 21 Jason Lueders |
| Andrew Venneman | Cheryl Sturdivant | Duston Meyer |
| Larry Vetrovsky | Kamree Weishahn | 22 Ashley DeBuhr |
| 2 Shannon Benash | Christopher Whitfield | Bernice L. Pfungsten |
| Randy Roberts | Leon Zimmerman | Samantha Rickers |
| 3 Carley Jones | 11 Drew DeBuhr | 23 Vernon Rogge |
| Ava Rix | Andrew Korte | Willard Workman |
| 4 Carline Mencl | 12 Dorothy Daubendiek | 24 Jocelyn Junker |
| Marissa Sandman | Claris Stevens | Alberta Rahe |
| Sydney Southwick | 13 Sophia Luehring | 25 Donald Henshaw |
| 5 Azlyn Carpenter | 14 Noah Hagemeyer | Michael Holthus |
| Kody Crosier | Laura-Leigh Norris | Leola Wollenburg |
| Dolores Kadlec | Wilbur Oestreich | 26 Katherine Moyer |
| James Nedrow | Naomi Speilman | Wayne Zimmerman |
| 6 Dale Brase | 15 James Hartig | 27 Natalie Doering |
| Gordon Theis | Lyndon Wiegand | Michelle Poling |
| Samuel Wallman | Chelsea Zutavern | Kodey Smith |
| 7 Steven Leishman | 16 Caleb Wallman | 28 Kathleen Gonderinger |
| Dorothy Nickels | 17 Louise Braun | 29 Jan Busboom |
| 8 Carter Holthus | 18 Brandon Scheer | Dustin McAllister |
| Peggy Young | Kody Wolf | 30 Karl Boerger |
| 9 Ruth Brisbois | 19 Harold Baumfalk | Cassandra Mohling |
| Joseph Wright | 20 Logan Glynn | Marlene Seckel |
| 10 Alexander Glynn | Jessica Schmidt | 31 Colton (Cole) Blythe |
| Brian Hoops | Alex Weise | Bonnie Workman |

Happy Anniversary to...

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| 1 Nicholas & Lacey Jurgens, 9 yrs. | 19 Jeffrey & Michelle Junker, 28 yrs. |
| 3 Kenneth & Dawn Crosier, 33 yrs. | 21 Lawrence & Norma Sohl, 57 yrs. |
| 5 Harlan & Iris Hintz, 45 yrs. | 25 Jeffrey & Teresa Hatzenbuehler, 16 yrs. |
| Gary & Joyce Swanson, 44 yrs. | 26 Jason Duff & Ashley Mentgen-Duff, 6 yrs. |
| 6 Vaughn & Valentina Wright, 23 yrs. | 30 Wynn & Betty Reiman, 43 yrs. |
| 11 Robert & Lorelie Ankersen, 60 yrs. | 31 Kenneth & Carla Loemker, 38 yrs. |
| Dennis & Peggy Wallman, 34 yrs. | Robert & Naomi Schroeder, 15 yrs. |
| 14 Robert & Myra Denton, 52 yrs. | |
| 15 William & Diane Lux, 25 yrs. | |
| 18 Arvid & Althea Wiest, 44 yrs. | |

If your information is missing or incorrect, please contact Kelly in the church office as work continues in order to keep our records up to date. We apologize for any errors.

*Visit our website for the latest updates at
stpaulbeatrice.org*



Upcoming LWML Events

LWML Executive Board Meetings

First Tuesday of each month at
2pm in the church basement.

Zone Fall Workshop

October 2018

Host Site:
Trinity Lutheran Church,
Jansen, NE

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

38th Biennial National Convention

June 20-23, 2019

Host Site:
Mobile, Alabama

Theme: "In Praise to the Lord"
1 Chronicles 16:23-24a

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

Mother/Daughter Banquet

Entertainers: The "Seniorettes"

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

6:30pm to 8:30pm

Host Site:
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Beatrice, NE
in the Fellowship Hall

Theme:
"Your Purse-onal Journey"

Bring a friend!

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

District Convention

September 14-15, 2018

Host Site:
Younes Conference Center,
Kearney, NE

Theme: "Daughters of the King-Sisters in Christ"

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

New Nebraska South LWML Website

www.lwmlnesouth.org

DORCAS BOUTIQUE: Just a reminder: The Card Boutique has a large variety of lovely greeting cards. It is in the fellowship hall. Stop by on Sunday's between services or during the week days the church office will assist you. Single cards can be purchased for \$0.60 and a box of cards sells for \$6.00.

St. Paul's Lutheran Child Care Center



*Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.
Colossians 2:6-7*

The Child Care Committee work continues, and the group has been meeting weekly and their work is ongoing.

WONDERFUL NEWS.... In December a grant was submitted to DHHS on behalf of the Child Care center for \$8,202.43. The committee is please to announce that in early February we were award \$7,891.26 to be used for the Child Care Center. In the coming month, we plan to make the purchases associated with the grant.

Currently, we are working on:

- 1) Licensing Paperwork -Has been mailed and our visit will happen in early May
- 2) A walk through by the Fire Marshall and a Sanitation Inspection have been completed.
- 3) Personnel Handbook
- 4) Fulfilling the requirements of the grant received
- 5) Pursuing candidates to call as a Director/Staff
- 6) Cupboards have been ordered for the current computer lab, which will be the new Early Childhood Room.

If anyone would like to help offset the cost of opening the center or for a new building in the future, you may place your contribution in the offering plate or drop it by the church office. Please mark your contributions by writing Child Care Fund or Child Care New Building in the memo line.

The Child Care Committee has been meeting weekly and their work is ongoing. Continue to watch the newsletter each month as updates as to the Board's progress will be communicated.

CONFIRMANDS.... Congratulations to those who were confirmed on Sunday, April 22: **Olivia Hatzenbuehler**, daughter of Jeff & Theresa Hatzenbuehler; **Alex Holle**, son of Greg Holle & Tamara Holle; **Sarah Scheer**, daughter of Ron & Brandy Scheer; **Parker Tegtmeier**, son of Doug Tegtmeier & Kim Tegtmeier.



Stewardship Article

St. Paul teaches, “Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches” (Galatians 6:6).

And again, he says, “Do you not know that those who are employed in the temple service get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in the sacrificial offerings? In the same way, the Lord commanded that those who proclaim the gospel should get their living by the gospel” (1 Corinthians 9:13–14).

In other words, ministers of the gospel are supported by the offerings of those who are served by them. And this is how the Church lives even now. It is standard practice.

But this deserves closer examination. For it instructs us not *just* that we are to give but also *what* we are to give. And it does so with four little words: “In the same way ...”

St. Paul is building his case for supporting the preachers of the Gospel with the sacrificial giving of individual members on the example of the Old Testament people who supported the Levites with their offerings and sacrifices.

We’re to support the Gospel ministry “in the same way.” But how did the Old Testament people support the Levites?

Moses records this: “You shall tithe all the yield of your seed that comes from the field year by year. And before the Lord your God, in the place that he will choose, to make his name dwell there, you shall eat the tithe of your grain, of your wine, and of your oil, and the firstborn of your herd and flock, that you may learn to fear the Lord your God always” (Deuteronomy 14:22–23). The Levites were supported by the tithe, 10 percent of all the yearly yield of that which was harvested.

Does that seem like a lot? Does it surprise you that St. Paul instructs us that we are to support the New Testament Gospel ministry “in the same way?”

If it does, ask yourself: is the Church’s job in the New Testament bigger or smaller than the Levites’ job in the Old Testament? Back then there was one Temple, and the ministry was almost exclusively located in one nation among the descendants of Abraham.

Jesus calls us to teach and baptize all nations (Matt. 28). And there are churches and ministries all around the world. How could we support this new Gospel ministry with anything less than the Israelites supported the Old Testament ministry?

Of course, we are free to give more, for we have received more than those in the Old Testament. We have received the fullness of God’s revelation, the fullness of His salvation, the fulfillment of everything that God promised to do.

For we have received Christ, God’s own Son, in the flesh, who took upon himself our sins and in exchange gave us his righteousness. The Father claimed us as his own in Holy Baptism.

He gathers us together in the place where his name dwells to feast on the first fruits of the resurrection, the risen and living body and blood of his Son, our Lord, Jesus. He reminds us that we are His, that all things are ours because we belong to Him. He blesses us here in time with physical and spiritual gifts.

In the same way, and in response to his fatherly divine goodness and mercy, we gladly give to those who proclaim to us “the excellencies of him who called us out of darkness and into his marvelous light.”

For once we were not a people, but now we are God’s people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have indeed (1 Peter 2:9–10).



Thank You to all who contributed an Easter Lily for our chancel on Easter Sunday!

Carlyn Koenig

Ken & Carla Loemker

In memory of Hubert McAllister, by Bryan and Renee McAllister

In memory of Vic Meyer by Floice Meyer

In memory of Spc. Brandon Meyer, by Pastor Terry Meyer and Norbert Meyer families

In memory of Herman F. Neumann by Joyce Neumann and family

In memory of Dale & Elda Riekenberg and Ross Riekenberg, by the Riekenberg Family.
Social Club

In memory of Mike, Michelle, Roweina Thomas and Jordan White by Virginia Thomas

You may take your lily home after the 10:30 service this morning.

Thank You

Natalie Klaus, Victoria Klaus, Faith Kelley, Billy Kelley,
Connor Kelley, and Logan Glynn for serving as our
instrumentalists on Easter Sunday.



GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS You will be recognized at the 10:30am service on Sunday, May 6th. Graduates are to meet in the church basement at 10:15am. At 9:15am there will be a reception in the church basement. We hope you and your family will be able to attend. Congratulations, to those high school seniors graduating this spring: Quinton Hartig, Kirsten Holle, Jenna Junker, Victoria Klaus, Graham Southwick, Caleb Wallman, Joseph Wright.



GRADUATING 5th GRADERS You will be recognized at the 10:30am service on Sunday, May 13th. Graduates are to meet in the church basement at 10:15am. At 9:15am there will be a reception in the church basement. We hope you and your family will be able to attend. Congratulations, to those graduating from fifth grade at our St. Paul's Lutheran School: Isaias Achtemeier, Makenna Crook, Ethan Jobman, Jeremiah Klaus, Morgan Maschmann, Kendall Oates, Owen Reis, Tobin Robinson, Brooklyn Schafer, Taylor Schuster.



The LYF are also selling Super Wash car wash tokens – 5 for \$20!! They are available in the church office.



Sonic Community First Cards

Youth planning to attend the National Youth Gathering have Sonic Community First cards for sale for only \$5.00. It includes the following tickets: 2 for a regular breakfast burrito for 99 cents; 1 for kids meal for \$1.99; 2 for buy a cheeseburger, get one free; 1 for buy 6" beef hot dog, get one free; 1 for buy a single-topping sundae, get one free; 2 for large soft drink for 99 cents; 1 for buy a chicken sandwich, get one free. Thank you for your continued support of our youth!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School is Sunday mornings at 9:15am in the church basement. We are looking for more Sunday school teachers for youth through high school. Some of our teachers would like to teach for a month, then have a month off to attend Pastor's Bible Class. If you would be willing to teach for a month or every other month, please contact Kelly at the church office. Your help would be deeply appreciated. Thank you. Sunday, May 20th will be the last day for Sunday School this school Year. Classes will resume Sunday, August 19.





LWML SCHOLARSHIP

The Nebraska South District Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) hopes to encourage students preparing to serve the church through full-time church work with our gift of love in the form of a scholarship. Information and applications may be obtained from the student's local LWML society or at www.lwmlnesouth.org. Completed applications are due **June 1, 2018**. For direct questions, contact Heidi Crawford at hcrawford777@gmail.com.

LLL SCHOLARSHIP

Are you interested in full-time church work? Now is the time to apply for an LLL Scholarship Grant! Request applications from Virginia Von Seggern at email virginia.vonseggern251@gmail.com or phone 402-655-2254. They are also available on the website of the Nebraska District LC-MS (www.ndlcms.org). Applications are due in mid-May of 2018, apply early. We are grateful for those students interested in full-time church work. Have you had an LLL Scholarship Grant previously? You **MUST RE-APPLY** to extend your grant each year.

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!!

Congratulations to the following members who were nominated:

Leonard & Evelyn Wortman - For continued support of the LYF with the Super Wash Fundraiser opportunity all these years. They are so kind and helpful when we need to replenish our supply. You are much appreciated!

Shirley Duensing – For managing the dispensing of the devotional books (My Devotions and Portals of Prayers). Upon the delivery of the books to the church Shirley places them in areas for availability to the congregation. Every book either distributed at the church, the school, or delivered to the shut-ins. Did you know the Portals of Prayer and My Devotions are funded by the Dorcas Society?

Bylaws Committee - For the hours spent revising the constitution and the bylaws.

Evangelism Board - For the extra hours put in for developing the mission and vision statements.

Thank you to all our volunteers, but especially to Leonard, Evelyn, Shirley, Bylaws Committee, and the Evangelism Board for this newsletter period. We encourage congregational members to nominate someone.