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SCHOOL NEWS

"We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

As February begins, we are looking forward to a busy month of learning and fun here at St. Paul's Lutheran. On February 7th, we have scheduled Parent Visitation Day. We are excited to have parents and grandparents spend the day with us, eat lunch with us, and join us for special projects. The next week, on Thursday, February 14th, we will celebrate the love of Christ and how we share that love with our Christian brothers and sisters in Christ as we have Valentine parties in our classrooms.

We enjoy our special worship times together at chapel on Wednesdays, and we welcome you to join us at chapel any week. Chapel begins at 8:20 a.m. This month, we will have our last class chapel led by Fourth grade on February 13th. Our chapel offerings for the month of February are designated for the Nebraska District Hearts for Jesus project, which this year is the LCMS Early Childhood Center in Lacey, Dominican Republic.

At the end of February, we will be having our third quarter parent teacher conferences all day on Monday, February 18th. These meetings give our staff and parents an opportunity to visit about the progress of our students and how we can continue to work together to help them learn and grow in their academics, and most importantly in their faith.

Please mark your calendars now for two upcoming events in March. On Friday, March 1st, St. Paul's School PTL will be hosting our second annual wine tasting event with live music and appetizers at 4 Generations Barn. Tickets will be on sale soon for this evening of fun and fellowship to support our school. Friday, March 8th will be our annual Grandparent's Day program. We invite you to come and enjoy this morning variety show put on by our school students, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

We are presently taking applications for the 2019-2020 school year for the Preschool (3-year old) and Pre-Kindergarten (4-year old) class sessions. Anyone interested in enrolling should contact the school office at 402-223-3414 for an application. Applications are also available on our school website: school.stpaulbeatrice.org.

We continue to save Sunmart Receipts, General Mills Box Tops for Education, Best Choice Labels, and Our Family Labels. Thank you for helping with these collections!

God's Richest Blessings on your February,

Amy Duever
St. Paul's Lutheran Principal



February at St. Paul's Lutheran School:

- 7 – Parent Visitation Day
- 8 – Parent Visitation Day
- 15 – Sack Lunch Day
- 18 – No School/Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 22 – No School

Our St. Paul's students will be singing in church

on the following Sundays:

Feb. 10, Mar. 3,

April 14, and May 12.

Dates are subject to change.



DONATE YOUR CHANGE: Would you like to be able to support our school while doing shopping? Click on the link below to learn how change from your everyday purchases can make a huge impact for our school. www.stpaulbeatrice.donateyourchange.com Any questions contact the school or church office.

SCHOOL PRAYER FAMILIES: The staff of our St. Paul's Lutheran School will continue their Prayer Family ministry this year. Each week at faculty devotions and at Chapel they will be praying for some of the school families. As Christian mentors, we want to model for our students the importance of lifting up community members in prayer. Those families will also be included in the weekly prayers each Sunday.



LILIES FOR EASTER SEASON 2019

During the 2019 Easter Season, we will again decorate our church with lilies. The price is \$16.00 per plant. If you would like to purchase a lily, please fill out the section below and return it to the church office or in the offering plate by Monday, April 1st with your money. The plants may be picked up following the second service on Sunday, April 21, 2019. Lilies may be designated in memory or in honor of a loved one or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, etc. If you would like to participate in this special display on behalf of yourself or your family, feel free to do so.

Given by _____

In Memory of _____

In Recognition of _____

In Thanksgiving for _____

I will order _____ lily(s) at \$16.00 each. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.



BEATRICE CIRCUIT SCHOLARSHIPS:

Students seeking church worker training at any Synod University or Seminary may be eligible for a Scholarship from the Scholarship Fund of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Beatrice. Applications are to be submitted by April 15, 2019. Please request application forms via e-mail: stpaulbeatrice@gmail.com or via phone: Kelly Mees, Office Manager, 402-228-1540.

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, 2019**. 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. Information and downloadable forms are also available on the website of the Nebraska District LC-MS (www.ndlcms.org). Applications are due in mid-May of 2019, 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.

CALLING OUR NEXT PASTOR: At the Special Voters’ Meeting on January 20th, St. Paul’s extended a call to Rev. Timothy Geitz of Grace Lutheran Church, Le Mars, IA. Continue to pray for the Lord’s blessings on our congregation and Pastor Geitz as he deliberates our call to him.

2019 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES can be picked up in the church office. Be sure not to use your 2018 envelopes in 2019, since numbers may have changed.

VISITATION PASTOR: Rev. Timothy Brisbois serves St. Paul’s as our visitation pastor. Pastor Brisbois does not have church office hours. Anyone needing / wishing to visit personally with Pastor Brisbois or have him visit you, please contact the church office. Pastor Brisbois can also be reached at 402-806-1822 or by email at tbrisbois@gmail.com.

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.

CHURCH SERVICES: We will be having church service in the school gym at 10:30 AM on February 10, March 3, and April 7. These services will be in place of the 10:30am service at church. A shortened Sunday School and Adult Bible Class time will still be held on these Sunday's in the church basement.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Would you like to have a new type of devotion each day? Here are two that you can listen to or read from your computer or smartphone. Each are 4 to 5 minutes in length. The first one is from Lutheran Ministries and the website is www.lhm.org. The second one is by Rev. Ken Klaus former Lutheran Hour speaker and the website is www.thesaviorstory.com. For each of these you go to the website and click on the daily devotion line. Enjoy.

OFFERING CAMPAIGN: We are beginning a new special offering campaign, "***Back in the Black for our new Pastor***". We will incur additional expenses when we are blessed with our new Pastor, including expenses for when he comes to visit, moving expenses, possible parsonage update, etc. You are encouraged to contribute to this special fund. You may put "Back in the Black" or "Special Offering" on the memo line. Thank You!!!

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

RADA CUTLERY: LYF members going to the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis next summer are selling Rada Cutlery's 100% USA Made kitchen products to raise money for this exciting trip. There are catalogs in the Narthex, or at [Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.](#) Our group number is 2041021. These products make great wedding, anniversary, or birthday gifts. Or maybe it's time to enhance your own kitchen. Please check out the products. When ordering online it doesn't take long for you to receive them in your home. Please contact Tamra D'Andrea or the church office for more details.

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:

Those who worked to put the float in the Christmas Parade - Great job on our St. Paul's float in the Christmas Parade.

Thank you to all our volunteers, but especially to those who worked to put the float in the Christmas Parade for this newsletter period. We encourage congregational members to nominate someone.



LWML Executive Board Meetings

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

Mother/Daughter Banquet

May 1, 2019
6:30-8:30pm
In the church basement

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!

LWML Christmas Tea

December 1, 2019
1:30-3:30pm
In the church basement

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

Nebraska South LWML Website

www.lwmlnesouth.org

Upcoming LWML Events

LWML Spring Fling

March 2, 2019
9:30-11:30am
In the church basement

Theme: "JOY in Laughter in Christ"
Psalms 126:2

A light breakfast will be served.

Come enjoy a morning filled with laughter.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

LWML members are asked to check with your circle on what you are to bring.

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

**Seek & Serve Day
Nebraska North & South Districts**

April 27, 2019
9:00-4:00pm

Host Site: St. John Lutheran Church, Seward

Theme: "Lavished Love!"

Making: Weighted blankets and Taggy Blankets for Lutheran Family Services

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

LWML Sunday

October 6, 2019
8:00am & 10:30am Service

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

NE South District Retreat

September 6-7, 2019

Host Site: Covenant Cedars Bible Camp Hordville, NE

Theme: "Renew, Refresh, Restore"
Psalms 51:10-12

Watch the bulletin for more updates!

9:00am-3:00pm,
Monday thru Friday

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



Pastor Stuckwisch will be in the church
office on Tuesday mornings and
Wednesday afternoons. Anyone
needing / wishing to visit personally
with Pastor Stuckwisch, please contact
the church office.

Pastor Stuckwisch can also be reached
at [402-230-0698](tel:402-230-0698)



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 January as we take an in-depth look at
God's Word together as a congregation.

Everyone is encouraged to attend. We Look forward to seeing you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for the children is at 9:15am on Sunday mornings in the church basement.



CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING

Second Quarter Voters' Meeting

**Please watch the bulletin and March
Newsletter for a date to be announced.**

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

February Birthdays & Anniversaries - 2019

Happy Birthday to...

2 Victoria Klaus	Macey Holthus	Parker Tegtmeier
3 Colton Kelle Keith Knabe Kent Knabe Jason Stover	Kiersten Rademacher Anastasia Riley	21 Lorelie Ankersen Rachel Krause Elmer Sunderland
4 Katie Johnsen Elizabeth Lineweber Steven Sandman Dustin Thomas	13 Sharilyn Anderson Kimberlyn Snyder Doretta Wiegand	22 Nicholas Jurgens LaVerne Malchow
6 George Blythe Austin Rains	14 Ellie Whitfield Valentina Wright	24 Balinda Schwisow Dakota Wallman
8 Natalie Klaus	16 Andrew Koenig Rowein Kumm Cortney Walters	25 Vicky Moon Lisa Oltmans
9 Melvin Bodtke Betty Reiman	17 Tommy Rudder	26 Lonnie Duensing Wayne Huls Trevin Lang Paige Rambou
10 Alex Holle Dixie Johnson Brandon Meckem Addison Smith	18 Della Roebke Shauna Whaley Zadie Zutavern	27 Randall Crouse Nathan Mohling Isabella Ruskamp
11 Dorothy Brott Linda Engler	19 Roger Buss Jessica Lindblad Richard Scheve	28 Amy Cisneros Kinzie Lofing Leonard Wortman
12 Terrin Brown	20 Myra Denton Trendin Lang Cheri McConnell	29 Sherry Bittfield

Happy Anniversary to...

7 Steven & Pamela Norton, 43 yrs.	Aaron & Emelita Leach, 3 yr.
8 Mark & Sherry Rogge, 27 yrs.	19 Larry & Donna Huls, 58 yrs.
11 Duane & Ruth Stroemer, 13 yrs.	Merle & Lora Kuhlmann, 48 yrs.
12 Stan & Cheryl Wirth, 37 yrs.	20 Steven & Jackie Huls, 16 yrs.
13 Wayne & Vivian Zimmerman, 47 yrs.	27 Ronald & Kathleen Buss, 53 yrs.
14 David & Peggy Doering, 32 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*



The season of Epiphany focuses on how God was made manifest in the flesh of Jesus. The church spends time hearing of the miracles, the signs and wonders, of Jesus in the world.

And this made plain to all that Jesus was who He said He was: He was the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the only-begotten Son of the Father, in the flesh. For “the Word became flesh and dwelt among us” (John 1:14).

It is revealed for all the world to see that Jesus is God in the flesh. It is made manifest by His words and His work, by what He said and by what He did. And these belong together, for “the Word became flesh and dwelt among us.”

Jesus is the Word and will of God in the flesh, that is, He is the walking, talking, enactment of God’s Word.

It is no different for us. We are called not just to believe in God in hearts, but also to trust in God in word and deed.

As James wrote: “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves” (James 1:22), and again, “What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? ... So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ... Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. ... For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead” (James 2:14, 17–18, 26).

Our faith is lived out in works for our neighbor. Our trust in the Word and will of God is lived out not in word only, but also in deed and in truth.

In other words, the Epiphany of the Lord creates in us an epiphany of our faith in our works of obedience to God who commanded them. By this, our faith is made manifest to the world. It is, as Luther wrote of faith:

“Faith is a divine work in us. It changes us and makes us to be born anew of God (John 1). It kills the old Adam and makes altogether different people, in heart and spirit and mind and powers, and it brings with it the Holy Spirit.

“Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly. It does not ask whether there are good works to do, but before the question rises, it has already done them, and is always at the doing of them.

“He who does not these works is a faithless man. He gropes and looks about after faith and good works and knows neither what faith is nor what good works are, though he talks and talks, with many words about faith and good works.

“Faith is a living, daring confidence in God’s grace, so sure and certain that a man would stake his life on it a thousand times. This confidence in God’s grace and knowledge of it makes men glad and bold and happy in dealing with God and all His creatures.

“And this is the work of the Holy Spirit in faith. Hence a man is ready and glad, without compulsion, to do good to everyone, to serve everyone, to suffer everything, in love and praise to God, who has shown him this grace.

“And thus it is impossible to separate works from faith, quite as impossible as to separate burning and shining from fire. Beware, therefore, of your own false notions and of the idle talkers, who would be wise enough to make decisions about faith and good works, and yet are the greatest fools.” (*Preface to the Book of Romans*)

So, then, let our faith be active by God’s power in the Word through the Holy Spirit. And let then our faith be made manifest to the world by what this faith does: serving our neighbor — in church, in the family, and society — with the works of faith in time, talents, and treasures.



Wednesday, March 6	4:30 Ash Wednesday Divine Service 7:00 Ash Wednesday Divine Service
Sunday, March 10	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, March 11	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Wednesday, March 13	4:30 Lenten Service 5:00 Supper - served by Evangelism 7:00 Lenten Service
Sunday, March 17	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, March 18	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Wednesday, March 20	4:30 Lenten Service 5:00 Supper - served by Stewardship 7:00 Lenten Service
Sunday, March 24	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, March 25	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Wednesday, March 27	4:30 Lenten Service 5:00 Supper - served by Elders 7:00 Lenten Service
Sunday, March 31	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, April 1	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Wednesday, April 3	4:30 Lenten Service 5:00 Supper - served by Board of Christian Ed 7:00 Lenten Service



Sunday, April 7	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Service at the School
Monday, April 8	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Wednesday, April 10	4:30 Lenten Service 5:00 Supper - served by Trustees 7:00 Lenten Service
Sunday, April 14	8:00 Divine Service 9:15 Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, April 15	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Thursday, April 18	4:30 Divine Service - Maundy Thursday 7:00 Divine Service - Altar Stripping
Friday, April 19	4:30 Good Friday Service 7:00 Tenebrae
Sunday, April 21	EASTER SUNDAY 6:00 Sunrise Service 8:00 Divine Service No Bible Class or Sunday School 10:30 Divine Service
Monday, April 22	7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion