



# NEWSLETTER

JULY 2024



## RESPONDING TO HIS SERVICE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have been blessed by God to work here at St Paul as I'm about to enter my 8th year here as Director of Worship! I am glad to continually work with you all in Connecting People to Christ, and I am always thankful for those of you who support me in helping our services and ministry thrive: to anyone who

has given their time, talents, and treasures in Choir, Bells, Praise Teams, Audio-Visual, Ushers, Altar Guild, and many other areas – I thank God for you and being able to serve alongside you!

Have you ever wondered why we call our gatherings "Worship Services"? What is a service? The word "service" is usually used for something we receive from someone or

some place. "Oh, the service at that restaurant was awful!" or "I took my car into the shop and the service was excellent!" "Service" is the action of helping or doing work for someone.

When we come to church for Worship Services, we are served by God – we receive the good gifts of His Word, His forgiveness of sins, His Baptism, and His true body

and blood in Holy Communion. We receive incredible “service” when we come to church! He gives us the gift of faith to receive these things, which leads to His ultimate service to us - His saving which He gives to us through His son, Jesus.

But the worship service isn’t only God’s service to us: we also have opportunities to respond and give service back to God in church. Regarding the second example above, for the car shop with great service, you might respond and serve them in return with a “thank you” to the technicians or recommending the shop to family and friends. As we receive God’s great service, it is only natural to respond with service in return. Our responsive moments in church include our verbal (and personal) Confession of Sins, a Profession of Faith, The Lord’s Prayer and – where I eventually wanted to land – praising God in hymns and songs!

And this is important to keep in mind, especially because the “praise” portion of our services comes with some division or contention because each person may prefer different styles. We offer both organ-led singing and praise team-led singing at our church. Both are different styles, yet both can – and should – be a service of thanks and praise back to God.

I was reading our Music Ministry Mission Statement (we have one!) and was processing the words to update it into this current time. There are certain phrases that remind me why we have different styles of worship. One of the primary Values is *“We believe... that worship is commanded in Scripture, but not “how” worship is to be done. Therefore, no language, instrument, style, or man-made ritual is necessarily superior or inferior to another (Ex. 20:8, Heb. 10:25, Col. 2:16).”*

This is important to recall. Not every person has the same upbringing. Some people have been “traditional” most of their lives and may not connect to band-led songs. Some people may have a more “contemporary” music preference, which led them to band-led songs that sing to Jesus. Both help us praise our God; both help Connect (us) to Christ. But – and this is the key – both help us to give service to God through praise and thanksgiving in response to the service He has given us.

If you struggle with this notion, consider some praise styles from other parts of the world:

- Believers in remote countries are worshipping God with no building, no air conditioning, no sound system, and most likely only their full voices and an instrument or two.
- There may be bands who write heavier band music with a Gospel theme to reach those who are lost listening to worldly heavy music.
- There is a Christian DJ who has a podcast show that plays Christian-based electronic music and shares Scripture and prayer.
- Artists use different media to create Christ-based works of art, actors use drama to bring Bible stories to life, and dancers use their gifts to share the Good News.

Aren't these all responses to God's service to us as His children? At the same time, there may be some worship outlets in the world that are not Bible-based and do not have Godly intentions for their ministries. There may be Pastors and musicians and others purporting something other than the Gospel truth. We are to discern such groups, and I strive to do that for our worship services. When it comes to our church family and our worshiping body of believers at St Paul, I encourage us all to understand that no matter what style of music we are playing, we are all giving service to God with our voices for the service He has given us.

To close – how are you responding to God's service to you in church? Do you sing? Do you actively read the words in the hymns and songs for the day? I encourage you to. Everyone can sing: everyone can praise the Lord with their voices for His countless blessings to us. God is worthy of hearing our heartfelt response to His service to us.

In Christ,

**THOMAS WALKENHORST**  
**DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP MINISTRY**



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## EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

**CHRISTINA ZEUNER, DIRECTOR**  
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### SCHOOL YEAR ENDS

The school year ended on May 22 with 12 children graduating from our 4K class. Since then, the Preschool and 4K teachers have cleaned all the toys and classroom as well as developed the curriculum for next year. Child Care continues through the summer. To take advantage of the summer weather, centers and activities are done outside for as much of the day as possible.

We are looking for the following: used ink and HP toner cartridges and old cell phones. These things give us extra money that we can use for supplies and other necessities for our program. They can be dropped off in the Early Childhood Center bin in the Donation Area.

Applications are still being accepted for the 2024-25 school year for the afternoon Preschool class. Child Care has limited openings for the remainder of the summer and the fall. Call 467-6733 or e-mail preschool@stpaulfalls.com for more information or to enroll.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

**SAVANNAH HENN, DIRECTOR**  
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### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGES

During our summer months, there will be Children Messages at our 9:30am services on the first, third, and fifth Sundays. We invite you and your families to join us for those services and an age-appropriate children's message.



#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JULY 21-24 2024

Vacation Bible School is happening this month! We are so blessed to have volunteers and children that are ready to dig into God's Word this summer. Please pray for all who will be participating in VBS and that it will be a blessing to our congregation and community. Special thank you to all the people who helped purchase items from our donation board. These items will help us run a great VBS. Photos from VBS will be available on our website after the event.



## AWANA/SUNDAY SCHOOL

AWANA and Sunday School Registration will be opening on July 24. We are so excited for the 2024-2025 School Year. You can register your child at [Children's Ministry](#).

Please reach out to Savannah with any questions you may have.



## CHILDREN MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Children's Ministry is looking for willing people to help with AWANA or Sunday School. These programs run September - May. Anyone 9th Grade and up can help with these great programs.

If you are interested, please contact Savannah Henn.



## YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. PAUL

**NICOLE DOLLEVOET, DIRECTOR**  
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### A FEW REMINDERS FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

6th and 7th grade students can still submit worship services through the summer. You have until Aug 31st to submit 26 worship services.

We are getting ready for fall. Please keep all mentors and helpers in your prayers as plans are being made.



**Congratulations to all  
our Graduates!**



## SUMMER YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT GROUP

is off and running! Summer can be a busy time and we are excited to connect with everyone as the days of summer tick by.

We had a great Grad Sunday and kick-off to the summer party. As we race towards the halfway point of summer.

We hope to see you at our South Pier night at on July 14th. We kicked off fundraiser season with Dine to Donate at Culvers and we have 2 work picnics around the corner. We could use some hands to help make this event possible. All funds will go towards 2025 Youth Trips.

Check out the full summer calendar here: [Youth Ministry Calendar](#)

## YOUTH MISSION TEAM

At submission time for the Newsletter, the youth Mission team was just loading up their vans to head out. They traveled to Pittsburgh, PA to serve at week of Hope. They will have a full report in the next newsletter of how God led them on their trip.



## CONFIRMATION MENTORS AND HIGH SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED

Want to be a part of this year's Confirmation ministry? It is a great opportunity to impact the lives of young people in their faith formation!

Please contact Nicole at [nicoled@stpaulfalls.com](mailto:nicoled@stpaulfalls.com)





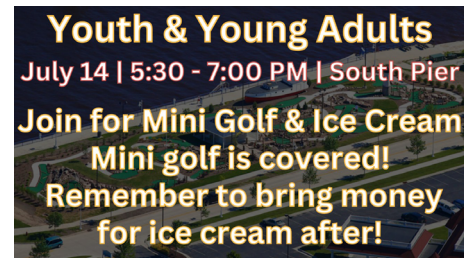
# CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY EVENTS

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Please come and join us Wednesday July 9 6:00-7:30 at Shaw Family Park for an evening of Fellowship. We will be gathering on this evening to have some time of fellowship with fellow St. Paul Families. Please invite others and join us for this event.



## YOUTH MINISTRY



## THE GATHERING PLACE

**LEAH ZEHEL, DIRECTOR**  
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The Gathering Place Car Show and Brat Fry is back! This year it will be held August 19th a Monday to be able to accommodate even more car show regulars. With many other car shows on Tuesdays we wanted to give a Monday a try to make our show even bigger and better!

And who wants to cook on a Monday anyways? Come out and get a burger or a brat! August 19th from 5:00-7:00, at St Paul's Lutheran Church Sheboygan Falls. This year there will be plenty of room for food lines and additional seating.

Check out all the cars, grab a brat or a burger, and listen to some great music by our DJ Rob Peterson! This fundraiser is a great way to support The Gathering Place and Memory Matters activity programming. We rely on these fundraisers to be able to keep our participant fees low! This way we can help even more individuals with memory loss.

Nicole and her youth group gang will also be there with some great ice cream treats: what a great way to support two amazing missions of the church!

If interested in bringing a car to be part of our car show, please contact Leah at The Gathering Place (920) 627-6847.



## LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

MR. DEREK BULT, PRINCIPAL

### CRUSADER CAMP CRAZE

School is out, and Sheboygan Lutheran's Crusader Summer Camp program is in full swing! Throughout June, July, and August, our fields, courts, studios, and stage are bustling with activity for campers from Kindergarten through 12th grade.

There are currently **640** registered campers... and counting!

Crusader Summer Camps are led by Lutheran High's faculty and coaching staff and assisted by student volunteers.

Each camp provides an opportunity for children to explore new activities, develop and improve skills, meet new friends, and experience a small taste of Lutheran High.

There is something for everyone in our Summer Camp line-up:

- **Art Camp** led by Matt Holman, LHS art teacher
- **Baseball Camp** led by Tim Muth, LHS teacher and head baseball coach
- **Dekker Basketball Camp** led by Todd Dekker, former varsity boys' basketball coach

- **Slamma Jamma Basketball Camp** led by Jeff Jurss, LHS teacher and track/cross country coach and former basketball coach
- **Crusader Hoops** led by Jeff Jurss and Jake Jurss, LHS teacher and basketball/cross country coach Volleyball Camp led by Lisa Klapperich, LHS head volleyball coach
- **Girls' Soccer Camp** led by Liesa Blattner, LHS/SCS head varsity soccer coach
- **Pro Active Fitness Camp** led by Tyler Thomas, LHS head varsity girls' basketball coach
- **Crusader Weight Training** led by Tyler Thomas
- **Theater Camp** led by Rachel Thuermer, artistic director for Dare to Dream Theatre and director of the LHS fall drama production



Tim Muth, LHS teacher and baseball coach, instructs eager campers during Crusader Baseball Camp.

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## LCMS HISPANIC MINISTRY

REV. DAVID BLAS

Operation Backpack for 2024- 2025 is on Saturday, August 3rd, 2024, at Good Shepherd Sheboygan. We are already collecting school supplies. If you're willing to be part of this, please bring the school supplies to Good Shepherd.

You can also send a donation with a memo, Operation Backpack, to the following:

Sheboygan County Hispanic Outreach  
730 County Rd PPP  
Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin  
53085



For further info contact Rev David Blas 630-229-2455.



## LOVE INC.

### BONNIE JONES - COORDINATOR

The 8th Annual Putt for Love mini golf outing scheduled for Saturday, July 20th will have a new church challenge. This year they are encouraging each church to send foursomes to compete on the day of the event.

The foursome with the lowest score will receive a gift card to a local restaurant. In addition, the church they attend will receive a trophy. Put together a foursome to compete and support a great cause, Love INC, and take home the trophy for our church! What a great, fun, and inexpensive way to help people struggling in our community.

To sign up, go to [loveincsheboygancounty.org](http://loveincsheboygancounty.org), scroll to the bottom of the screen and click on events, or call their office at (920) 783-6701, ext. 5101 to register.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

We CELEBRATE God's amazing healing and restoration!

Celebrate Recovery now has BABYSITTING available! Contact Julie for more information.

Did you know... that 2 out of 3 people attend CR for NON-addiction issues?

We all have struggles. What do you struggle with?

Depression, Anxiety, Anger, Feelings of Unworthiness and Being Less Than, Paranoia, Perfectionism, Obsessive Thoughts, Co-Dependency, Loneliness, Control, Fear, Resentment, Addiction to Food, Drugs, Sex, Bad relationships, Unforgiveness, Money Issues, Emotional or Sexual Abuse, Pornography, Jealousy, Selfishness, Judgement of Others, Unfaithfulness, etc.

**Principle 5 - Voluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects.** "Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires." Matthew 5:6

**Step 6 – We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.** "Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up." James 4:10

**Ready and Victory** – So far in our journey of healing, we have admitted that we are powerless to change our ways and believe that only God could and would help us so we seek Him and turn our life and will over to Him, so we can find direction and purpose to our lives. We did the work of writing an inventory of our life and we took ownership of the hurt we caused and asked for forgiveness; we offered forgiveness to those that have hurt us. As God is beginning a healing work in our minds, heart, spirit and physical body we make another decision to voluntarily submit to every change that He wants to make in our lives, so we can begin to live a life of healing, wholeness and restoration!

Are you ready to take that first step in your journey of recovery from life's difficulties?

Celebrate Recovery follows a Christian 8 Principal / 12 Step process

to heal from life's hurts, hang-ups, and habits!

Entrance #4 – 300 Wing

You were never meant  
to walk this life journey  
alone...

Come join us at  
Celebrate Recovery!

Your forever family is  
waiting!  
You are not alone!

Dinner: 6:00PM  
Large Group: 6:30PM – 7:30PM  
Open Share Group (Gender Specific): 7:30PM – 8:30PM  
Fellowship: 8:30PM – 9:00PM

No Sign-Up necessary,  
The only requirement is confidentiality!  
Everyone is Welcome!  
We are waiting for you!

**\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\***

**Thursday, September 19, 2024**

**Praise In The Park – River Park Large Shelter**

**(More details to come)**

For additional information contact Julie J. @ 920-207-1397

## THANK YOUS & OTHER NEWS

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Thank you for making the lovely placemats on your service day. Our residents love them, and it brings a smile to their faces. They appreciate the Bible Verses and words of encouragement.

-Pine Haven



### OTHER NEWS

**BUILDING CLOSED:** The Church building will be closed in observance of July 4th and then on July 29th for our staff retreat.

**DRESS SHOES:** Pastor Rob would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to whoever bought him a new pair of black dress shoes! They are very comfortable, and I think they look very nice! Thank you so much!"

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:** Lutheran Education Scholarships applications need to be turned in annually to the church office.

- Applications for Preschool thru High School are due by August 31st.
- College bound student applications are due July 15th.

**PHOTO DIRECTORY:** We are getting ready for our next photo directory. Times and dates are limited, so mark your calendars. This is also a perfect time to get some high-quality family photos done! Please sign up for the time slot that works best for you and your family. Each slot is 5 minutes.

If you have a large family, little children, or are wanting to have multiple poses taken, please sign up for 2 consecutive slots.

Dates are as follows: Times are:

- July 9-11                      · 9am-12:00pm
- July 16 - 18                · 1:30-7:00pm
- July 20
- July 26 & 27

**SIGN UP ON OUR  
WEBSITE**



**LOVE INC IS IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:** mop, pails, brooms, dust pans, towels, pots (1, 2, or 3 quart size), frying pans and feminine hygiene products. Place your donations in the marked bin at the Giving Center. What a blessing your contributions can be for our neighbors! We give God the glory for your generosity!

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS:** We are looking to borrow the following items: Fake rocks the size of a hand and a bowling ball. We also need a donation of 8 king sized flat bed sheets. If you have any of these items, please email [savannahh@stpaulfalls.com](mailto:savannahh@stpaulfalls.com).

**ALL HANDS ON DECK!** The Church's shed is in dire need of a deep cleaning, sorting and reorganizing, and many items need to be purged. Many hands are needed to accomplish this task. Come and give us a hand on Tuesday, July 9th from 4-9 PM or Wednesday, July 17th from 4-9 PM. Please bring a bag lunch and some water. A treat will be provided. Questions? Contact Lorrie Wilson at 920-467-6880.

**TRASH 'N TREASURE RUMMAGE SALE MEETINGS:** Committee leaders, please note on your calendar of a meeting on Wednesday, July 10th at 6 PM. It is located in Room #104, please use Entrance #3 to get in the building.

We also have an open meeting for all volunteers or those who might be interested in helping out. The meeting is in the Fellowship hall on Tuesday, July 16th at 6:30 PM. Please use the rotundra entrance.

**THE GUATEMALA MISSION TEAM:** The Guatemala mission team will be commissioned at the 6:30 service on Thursday, August 1st. Please come join us for that service if you wish to be a part of the group that blesses our team to go forth and spread God's word among the children at Casa and the greater community.

**36TH ANNUAL TRASH 'N TREASURE:** Check those basements, attics, garages, and drawers for items in good, clean condition that you no longer need. Sheboygan County's largest rummage sale will be Saturday, September 21, sponsored by St. Paul Friends Club. Proceeds fund Mission Projects!

Drop off information and volunteer sign up begins in August! If you have any questions, please all Lorrie Wilson, aka Trash Queen at 920-467-6880.

**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN UPCOMING EVENTS:** Things are moving along for the Eleventh Annual Feed My Starving Children MobilePack! This year's dates are October 10—12, 2024. Thank you for all of your support so far!

Come enjoy a tasty breakfast at the Ducktona Pancake Breakfast on July 7 from 7—11 am. All proceeds go toward the purchase of ingredients for our FMSC MobilPack.

Registration opens August 1 — Gather your friends and family and create a team to help pack manna packs at this year's event. Available shifts are Thursday, 10/10, 5:30–7:30pm, Saturday, 10/12, 8—10am, 11am-1pm. More information to come on how to register! Money tubes and informational MobilePack brochures are available at the Resource Center.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial Report - May 2024			
Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024			
Financial Results- 11 Months Year to Date Actual, Budget & Variance			
	11 Months Ended 5-31-24 Actual	11 Months Ended 5-31-24 Budget	Variance from Budget (Short)/Over
General Offerings	\$ 1,132,956	\$ 1,237,656	\$ (104,700)
Other Income	\$ 39,295	\$ 28,820	\$ 10,475
Mission Offerings	\$ 87,477	\$ 78,621	\$ 8,856
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,259,728</b>	<b>\$ 1,345,097</b>	<b>\$ (85,368)</b>
Operating Expenses	\$ 1,202,385	\$ 1,261,529	\$ (59,143)
Mission Support	\$ 87,477	\$ 78,621	\$ 8,856
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,289,862</b>	<b>\$ 1,340,149</b>	<b>\$ (50,287)</b>
<b>Suplus (Deficit) Total</b>	<b>\$ (30,134)</b>	<b>\$ 4,947</b>	<b>\$ (35,081)</b>
Capital Improvement Fund			
	Monthly Activity Increase (Decrease)	Balance at Month End	
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 7,517	\$ 301,814	
Membership Report			
Baptized Members	2,035	Confirmed Members	1,735

## MAY 2024 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER UPDATE:** Christina submitted her report. School ends this week, including the 4K Graduation. Tammy is Amy's replacement, she started last week. Current enrollment for next year is 3AM – 16 (2 on the waiting list), 3PM – 5 and 4K – 12. There is still room in childcare for the summer and minimal space for fall.

Childcare will be switching to their outdoor program in June. Weather permitting, they only come into the building to use the bathroom, eat lunch and take a rest. The new shed is working out great. Christina also submitted the results from the year end family surveys, all with very positive results and comments.

**2024-25 BUDGET:** Stefanie presented the budget with an estimated 11.6% increase. 42% of the increase is related to wage increases as set by the Executive Committee along with some benefit increases. We have 2 staff now taking health insurance, which accounts for 25% of the overall increase. We are anticipating a shortfall this year of about \$25k, which is 18% of the overall increase.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:** Stefanie presented the anticipated capital projects for the next 5 years. The Capital Improvement Account currently has over \$300,000. There are several small projects that the Council would like Stefanie to proceed on as she sees fit, which include installing two water bottle filling stations, purchasing professional photography equipment, replacing the carpet shampooer, the copy machine and the folding machine.

**CHURCH MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE:** The Council approved moving to a new software platform. Currently we have five different pieces of software that don't talk with each other. This would allow for less error and more efficient work.

**ACTIVITY SPONSORSHIP REQUEST:** The Council approved Youth Ministry attending the LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 16-24, 2025.

**CEMETERY PLOTS:** Two Wildwood Cemetery Plots were donated to us over 10 years ago to give to someone in need. We have yet to have an opportunity to use these. Stefanie has spoken with the local funeral homes to make them aware that we have these. She has also spoken to Wildwood Cemetery. They

suggested we complete a quit-claim deed with the church information and leave the recipient of the graves blank. This would allow them to move forward immediately when the need arises. This will be set up with the stipulation that Wildwood Cemetery cannot change the recipient for the plots, the intent is for them to be given to someone in need.

**GAGA BALL PIT:** An Eagle Scout would like to do a project for our church. We are having him redo the tech booth in the fellowship hall and would like to also have him make a GaGa Ball Pit for the church yard. This is a popular game for kids that would be used by both Children and Youth Ministry.

The Council is comfortable moving forward with the GaGa Ball Pit being installed outside of entrance 5 as long as our insurance company is consulted first to ensure there are no stipulations.

**CONGREGATION MEETING PROCEDURES:** It has been suggested that we have people submit their questions for the Congregation Meeting 3-4 weeks prior to a meeting. That would allow leadership to be prepared to respond and to add it to the agenda if it is appropriate for public attention.

If questions are not pre-submitted but brought up during Congregation Concerns, they will be heard but not responded to during the meeting. Again, to allow leadership time to prepare a response.

**CONSTITUTION & BYLAW UPDATE:** Very little feedback was received from the Congregation. After further discussion the Council has decided to not make any further changes. They will enhance the nominating committee procedure moving forward, which does not require any written changes. Term limits were discussed and at this point will remain as is, with no limits.

**ELDER TEAM UPDATE:** The Elders are studying the Commandments.

**SENIOR PASTOR REPORT:** Pr Kyle reported on St. Paul Serves, which had 154 people participating at 12 different locations in the County. We had a great turnout for the first year with all positive feedback. We are looking at potentially making it a month long next year to allow for more project opportunities & volunteers, with a reception to follow after. It was suggested to find a way to have resources like this available year round, as some projects cannot wait until May.

Pr Kyle gave an update on his last Pastoral Leadership Institute session. Staff performance reviews are being done right now and calendar planning is coming up shortly.

## JUNE 2024 CONGREGATION MEETING MINUTES

**MAY 2024 TREASURER'S REPORT:** Donna Felch presented the financial reports. Eleven months into the year we have a deficit of \$30,134. Giving is almost exactly the same as last year at this time. There is nothing unusual to report. Discussion was held regarding the deficit and the importance of Congregation members being aware of this.



**2024-25 BUDGET:** Stefanie Trakel presented the proposed budget with a 10.1% increase in giving over this year's actual giving. In comparison to our current budget, the 2024-25 budget is 0.2% less. The majority of expenses fall in support/admin expenses and pastoral ministry.

The \$123,065 increase is primarily from wage & benefit increases and then making up our current shortfall. A 5-year anticipated capital improvement plan was also shared, it was suggested that the Council begin planning for large projects that are twenty years out, such as roof and parking lot replacements. The Congregation approved the budget as presented.

**CONSTITUTION & BYLAW UPDATE:** In follow up to the April Congregation Meeting, Tom Splittgerber reported that the Church Council has decided to not move forward with any other changes to the Constitution or Bylaws, based on feedback. The election process will remain the same and the nominating team process will be enhanced.

**HISTORIC TRINITY MILWAUKEE:** Tom Witt shared information about Historic Trinity Milwaukee's fire in 2018 and how they are working to rebuild. The Council is looking at helping to provide support with mission money.

**THANK YOU:** Bob Mehre was thanked for his service to the church by serving on the Church Council.

## JUNE 2024 COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATE:** Savannah Henn reported on the wrap up of AWANA and Sunday School this year. VBS is planned for July with an increase of 16 children, registration is at capacity, we also have some new volunteers. Savannah is expecting her baby in August, so she has worked ahead to prepare for fall programming. There are several volunteers that are stepping in to help cover during her leave.

Family events are already planned, which includes a weekend of service this fall at Camp Luther. The nursery will be hiring two new staff, as one has gotten married and another is going to college. Savannah is finishing up her classes for her DCM license and will be ready to accept her call in August.

**POLICY UPDATES:** Updates were made to the following policies, in follow up to the discussion regarding the head elder position and the enhancements to the nominating committee: #46-Nomination of Church Council, #47-Election & Appointment of Church Council, #50-Elder Team. These will be posted on our website.

**WALK IN ITEM - SOLAR/AC PROJECT:** Stefanie is gathering information regarding the Inflation Reduction Act, which could result in up to a 40% rebate of the cost of solar panels and the replacement of our rooftop AC units. She has asked for a team to be formed, Chad Berke will serve.

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### Pastors

**Kyle Backhaus**, Senior Pastor  
**Robert Schrader**, Associate Pastor  
**Tom Gudmundson**, Pastor Emeritus  
**Donald Hasse**, Pastor Emeritus

### Lay Leaders

**Tom Splittgerber**, Congregation President  
**Jeff Berg**, Congregation Vice President  
**John Rische**, Head Elder  
**Donna Felch**, Treasurer

### Summer Worship Schedule

Thursday: 6:30 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 & 9:30 AM

### The Gathering Place & Memory Matters

The Gathering Place: 920-627-6847  
The Gathering Place  
Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday:  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Memory Matters  
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Children & Youth

(During the school year)  
Sunday School: 9:15 AM service  
AWANA Wed Night: 6:00 PM  
Confirmation Wed Night: 6:00 PM  
Youth Group Sunday Night: 5:30 PM

### Early Childhood Center 3 year-old Class

ECC Phone: 920-467-6733  
(during school year)  
Tuesday & Thursday:  
9:00 - 11:30 AM or 12:30 - 3:00 PM

### 4K Class

(during school year)  
Monday, Wednesday & Friday:  
8:30 - 11:30 AM

### Child Care

Monday through Friday:  
7:00 AM - 5:30 PM  
Ages 2 ½ - 5 years – call for Drop-ins

### Wee Care Nursery

During Sunday Service, 9:15-10:45



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