

# ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

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## WITNESS

### MAY 24 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE • 655

- 5:00pm worship • 106
- 8:00am worship • 180
- 9:30am worship • 165
- 11:00am worship • 104
- Living Stone worship • 100

### ONLINE VIEWING

Sanctuary: 197 • Living Stone: 25  
Approximately 355 total online viewers

## CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, MAY 31

Worship Services  
New Members Received, 11am, Sanctuary

### MONDAY, JUNE 1

### TUESDAY, JUNE 2

Call Committee Mtg., 6:30pm, Conf. Rm.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

### THURSDAY, JUNE 4

### FRIDAY, JUNE 5

Bulletin Assembly, 9am, LL4

### SATURDAY, JUNE 6

Worship Service, 5pm

### SUNDAY, JUNE 7

Worship Services

## HOW TO SUBMIT NEWS

### News Due by 9am Wednesdays

Activity leaders are invited to submit news with our easy submission form. Look for the "Submit News" buttons at the top of our website News page and *Weekly Word* e-letter.

## SUNDAY CLASSES

### BIBLE STUDY HOUR • 9:30AM

BOOK OF ACTS • MUSIC ROOM  
Simulcast live on 850AM and KFUO.org

FOUNDATION • FELLOWSHIP HALL  
Topical, discussion-based study

SUNDAY SCHOOL • SCHOOL ROOMS  
Preschool: Room LL2; K/1st: LL7;  
2nd/3rd: 106; 4th/5th: 104;  
6th-8th: Art Rm.; 9th-12th: Youth Rm.

LITTLE LAMBS • School Room 103

## GIVING

Annual offering budget	\$3,309,800
Budget year-to-date (47 weeks)	2,991,550
Received year-to-date	2,632,996
Difference actual/budget	-358,554
Weekly amount needed	135,360
Received last week	36,455

### CONSTRUCTION LOAN BALANCE

Current debt	\$7,797,553
Gifts received July 2025 to date	\$40,505

## MINISTRY EXPANSION CAMPAIGN

Total Commitments: \$14,585,612 • Gifts received to date: \$9,378,657



## MISSIONS CORNER

★JUNE MISSION OF THE MONTH • LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces supports over 200 Lutheran military chaplains throughout the world.

## NOW HIRING

Visit our church website for job details: [stpaulsdesperes.org/news/employment](http://stpaulsdesperes.org/news/employment)

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELA & RELIGION TEACHER • St. Paul's seeks a middle school ELA and Religion teacher to nurture students' academic and spiritual growth in our Christ-centered, growing school community. Read more on our website's *Employment* page.



Now Hiring at St. Paul's

SCHOOL ASSISTANT COOK • Part-time assistant cook preparing and serving school meals, who enjoys working with children. Hours approx. 8am-1:30pm on school days. Inquire with Dawn Walker at [dwalker@stpaulsdp.org](mailto:dwalker@stpaulsdp.org).

K-7 SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS • Full-time counselors for K-7 program with faith-filled activities and field trips. Must be 18+; education majors are encouraged, but not necessary. Inquire with Nikki Wildman at [summer@stpaulsdp.org](mailto:summer@stpaulsdp.org).

PRESCHOOL MATERNITY SUB • Caring and dedicated ECC maternity-leave substitute for Preschool 3 classroom in Aug.-Sept. nurturing young learners. Inquire with Jessica Bangert at [jbangert@stpaulsdp.org](mailto:jbangert@stpaulsdp.org).

## LCMS COMMUNITY NEWS

### ★NEW: AMERICAN KANTOREI AT TRINITY LUTHERAN

Sun., June 7 • 3pm • You are invited to Eastertide Choral Vespers with the American Kantorei chorus and orchestra. The Kantorei, under the directorship of Dr. Maurice Boyer, specializes in the performance of J. S. Bach's sacred choral works in the original German, accompanied by orchestra. Trinity Luth. Church, 14088 Clayton Rd., Chesterfield, MO 63017.



# THE GOOD NEWS

## SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026

## TODAY

### ★ WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sun., May 31 • 11am

With thanksgiving, we welcome new members to our St. Paul's family via adult Confirmation and transfer. After the service, please stop by to say hello and introduce yourself to our new friends!

### ★ NEW: PASTOR SCHUDDE TRAVELING

This weekend, Pastor Schudde and his wife, Kris, are attending their granddaughter's dance recitals in Minnesota, returning Monday, and back in the office Tuesday, June 2.

### OPEN PLAYGROUND

8am-Noon • Families, feel free to stay and play on Sunday mornings!

## THE WEEK AHEAD: JUNE 1-7

### ★ NEW: HAPPY 12TH BIRTHDAY, TABBY!

Tabby Comfort Dog turns 12 on June 2. This marks her eleventh year of ministry at St. Paul's, where she has brought comfort, compassion, mercy, and the proclamation of Jesus to thousands of people she and her team have met over the years.



### ★ NEW: LINK YOUNG ADULT MEETUP: CARILLON CONCERT

Tues., June 2 • 6:30pm (music begins at 7pm)

"LINK" is St. Paul's young adult group for ages 21+ that gathers for social meetups and Christian fellowship. Friends are always welcome. Join us for the carillon concert at Concordia Seminary; bring a picnic dinner for yourself, lawn chair, or blanket. Organizer Katarina Hinck will bring card game options. No RSVP is needed, but completing the interest form at [bit.ly/LINK-June](http://bit.ly/LINK-June) is appreciated.

### ★ NEW: SMALL-SETTING COMMUNION

Mon., June 8 (Note date change) • Noon

Special monthly worship service with Communion for members who may prefer to avoid large crowds or who have mobility issues.

## WHAT'S NEW?

### NEWS JUST ADDED

- Welcome new members • May 31
- LINK 21+ carillon picnic • June 2
- Happy birthday, Tabby • June 2
- Small-setting Communion • June 8
- Chick-fil-A fundraiser • June 17
- Card-making night • June 18
- LINK 21+ coffee meetup • June 27
- Funeral-planning workshop • June 27
- June diaper drive
- June mission of the month
- Care & Connect week: July 26-Aug. 2
- School faculty milestones
- Pastor Schudde traveling
- Community News: Kantorei at Trinity Luth.

### LARGE-PRINT

- Find the large-print *Good News* included inside our large-print worship folders (please see an usher)

### CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The church office's summer hours have shifted to 8am-4pm Monday through Thursday, and 8am-3pm on Friday.

## JUNE DIAPER DRIVE

★ NEW: The Life Team at St. Paul's is collecting diapers (newborn to size 5) and baby wipes for local pregnancy centers. Thank you for your continued support of families in need and mothers who have chosen life for their babies! Please place items in the Ballas lobby Pack-n-Play during the month of June.



## JUNE PAVING COMPLETION

Although our north parking lot will be closed for resurfacing through mid-to-late June, this project will complete the repaving of our entire church and school main campus — with all-new paving, striping, and improved driving-lane access, plus the restoration of the full number of original parking spaces.

For weekend services, the Edward Jones parking garage remains available.





## BIBLE STUDIES

### SUMMER FOUNDATION STUDY

Sundays 9:30am • FH

In our discussion-based Foundation Bible class, our theme for the summer, "Like a Well-Watered Garden," invites us to grow in faith. Water is a frequent theme in Scripture, from creation to the Red Sea, to the choosing of a wife for Isaac, to the woman at the well, to the calming of the storm. Each of these accounts was included in Scripture for our instruction so that our faith might flourish like a well-watered garden.

## SERVICE & SUPPORT

### ★ NEW: CARE & CONNECT WEEK

Save the Dates: July 26 to Aug. 2

Care & Connect is coming, where compassion becomes kinetic — neighbors lifting neighbors, simple acts turning into lasting change. It's connection you can feel, community you can see.

### OCTOBER MEAL-PACKING EVENT

Sat., Oct. 17 (morning) • Off-Site

Save the date: The Board of Missions is again organizing a St. Paul's group for the *Feed My Starving Children* MobilePack event at Gateway Christian Church on Des Peres Road. Together with volunteers from across the St. Louis area, we'll help pack meals for children in need around the world; watch for upcoming signup information in August.

## FUNDRAISER

### ★ NEW: CHICK-FIL-A MOBILE ORDER FUNDRAISER

Wed., June 17 • 11am-7pm • Chick-fil-A in Des Peres

Enjoy a meal at Chick-fil-A while supporting our Early Childhood Center: Place a mobile order through the Chick-fil-A app, select Community Care Event, and enter the code "STPAULS" and the ECC will earn 20% of mobile sales. Note: Must be mobile orders only.

## FACULTY RECOGNITION

### ★ NEW: MILESTONES IN MINISTRY AND EDUCATION

At this year's closing Chapel, we were blessed to recognize the following for their years of service to the LCMS-Missouri District and to St. Paul's Lutheran School. We praise God for their many years of faithful service and pray God's continued blessing on each of them!

- **Missouri District recognition** • 5 years: Holly Konarik; 10 years: Whitney Wade; 20 years: Melissa Pauling; 25 years: Sue Burford; 30 years: Heather Hemler; 40 years: Dan Sterling.
- **St. Paul's recognition** • 5 years at St. Paul's: Holly Konarik and Melissa Pauling. 10 years at St. Paul's: Whitney Wade. 35 years at St. Paul's: Dan Sterling.

## CALL COMMITTEE NEWS

### MAY UPDATE • THREE CANDIDATES VISIT

The call committee conducted Zoom interviews with nine candidates in April. Following these interviews, we brought in three potential candidates for personal interviews with St. Paul's staff in the weeks of May 10, 17, and 24. Following these interviews, feedback from the staff will go back to the call committee, and with the Holy Spirit's leading, we will know if at least two candidates may be presented to the congregation to extend a call. Please pray for the Holy Spirit's presence with the call committee as we continue in this process.

## EVENTS

### ★ NEW: FUNERAL & BURIAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

Sat., June 27 • 9:30-11:30am • FH

Make your desires for your own funeral and burial known to loved ones and the church by attending this workshop, led by St. Paul's member Kent Burreson. A guided, hands-on process will allow you to prepare your funeral and burial plan. Pastor Burreson is the author of the book, "Lay Me in God's Good Earth: A Christian Approach to Death and Burial." RSVP to Kent at [burresonk@csl.edu](mailto:burresonk@csl.edu) so we have a count for resources.

VBS opens in 43 days

## GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

### WHAT IS LWML? JOIN US!

We're not your grandmother's LWML ... if you're a Lutheran woman, you will fit in. Lutheran Women in Mission is a multi-generational group serving the community. Come once, or come every month. We meet on the second Monday at noon for a brown bag lunch and then have a meeting or activity at 12:30. If you're looking for a lively community of friends, we invite you to join us for an event.

- **Tues., June 9:** Carillon concert and picnic fellowship at Concordia Seminary. Picnic at your leisure prior to the 7pm concert.

### ★ NEW: CARD-MAKING NIGHT

Thurs., June 18 • 6-9pm • Music Room

Enjoy an evening of creativity and conversation, crafting three simply beautiful cards ready to send to family and friends. All supplies provided in \$12/person materials fee. Register at [bit.ly/StP-Cardmaking](http://bit.ly/StP-Cardmaking) by 5pm on June 15 so materials can be prepped.

### ★ NEW: LINK YOUNG ADULT MEETUP: COFFEE SHOP

Sat., June 27 • 8:30am

Join us for "table talks" at The Ground Coffee Shop in Ballwin — a relaxed space to enjoy conversation, community, and new connections. Thank you for completing our LINK interest form at [bit.ly/LINK-June](http://bit.ly/LINK-June), which helps organizers approximate attendance.

## VOLUNTEER AT VBS

VBS Is July 13-17 • 9am-Noon

The Lord has blessed us with 300+ VBS campers, and we would love your help to share the love of Jesus with them at "Rainforest Falls" VBS!

Please prayerfully consider joining our VBS volunteer team. Read more about volunteer positions and sign up at [bit.ly/StP-helper](http://bit.ly/StP-helper) or scan QR code.

Questions: Contact Aunnee Trampe at [atrampe@stpaulsdp.org](mailto:atrampe@stpaulsdp.org).



## MINISTRY EXPANSION OPENING

### "SEE THE WONDERS" WELCOME WALK-THROUGH

**Sunday, June 21** • This Father's Day, come experience a first-look walk-through of our new ministry spaces, including the gym, Commons gathering space, kitchen, classrooms, and Meisch music suites. Enjoy a self-guided tour with hosted stations (date subject to change).

### OFFICIAL DEDICATION SUNDAY

**Sunday, August 9** • Worship services, dedication, ribbon-cutting, special presentations, tours, prayer walk stations, refreshments, and more.



### BUILDING TIMELINE

SUMMER '24

AUTUMN

WINTER

SPRING '25

SUMMER

AUTUMN

WINTER

SPRING '26



### JUNE COMPLETION