

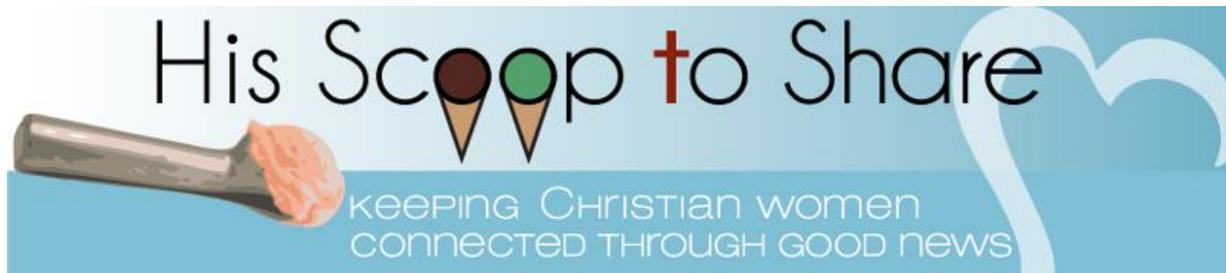
Hi, just a reminder that you're receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Don't forget to add [stpaulenews@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stpaulenews@sbcglobal.net) to your address book so we'll be sure to land in your inbox!

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God shows up in our suffering and glory for God is eventually revealed...  
*"He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification."*

*Romans 4:25*

*Trying out a mobile friendlier version of the Scoop newsletter...*



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### **Greetings in the name of the Lord!**

As one spirit, 27 gals shared the vision for our 9th annual "Share the Scoop" last Saturday at a SMI retreat. Connections were made, bonds became stronger and training took place. Becki challenged the team to go on a different kind of Easter egg hunt this year. Each gal was given a few eggs with blank pieces of paper in them. They are to pray about who God wants them to invite to the conference this year and write their names down in the egg. God wants as many "Chicks" together in one place, for His power is displayed through hundreds gathered, as the presence of the Holy Spirit moves. Because it takes money to work a non-profit mission, leaders were also asked to help build our list of annual donors through our Spring mail campaign. Our desire is to double our current couple dozen of donors. You can be assured as an annual donor that 90% goes to the cause and the minimal amount is allocated to operational expenses. We aim to get church sponsors, business sponsors and in-kind gifts so that the net made, can help to fund our "Flavors of Hope" grant program.

So... we want **all** of our Scoop supporters to also start thinking now...of who you can bless, by bringing them to this event, where rich flavors of God's hope is shared... and lives are transformed in a good, good way! Take a step of faith and buy a couple of extra tickets this year. You are doing God's work and eternity will measure the fruit of your contributions for such a cause that is for our GREAT God. Our God wants as many to hear about Him through this platform that Scoop Ministries, Inc. promotes. He desires all to know what His amazing free gift of salvation is. The time is now!

**Saturday, August 27th** is the date so you can bookmark it now! All advanced tickets will be \$20 and \$25 at the door (look for online sales to start 6 weeks prior to the event). With your help we can sell out! We welcome all christian churches to help us sell tickets.

"Let's Get Real" **MELTDOWN** is our special edition of the talk show "The Scoop" and yes...we plan to feed you a scrumptious lunch again this year! *by Becki B.*





## A TRIPLE SCOOP OF HIS WORD...

*"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." Colossians 3:15*

*"Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:5*

*"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's Love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given*

**Hear it from the LET gals...Let Go & Let God  
Louise, Ethel & Thelma  
bring you this months flavor**

**Trusting His Purposes...**

Yes, God allows suffering and we often wonder why? Oh Lord.

~ Original sin with the fall of Adam & Eve introducing it & the sin of mankind today.

~ Sometimes God allows it, to display His power through His healing.

~ Pain is not wasted in a believers life as our faith can grow because of it.

~ Suffering transforms us into the likeness of Christ.

~ Much fruit and triumph for His Glory, can come out of a trial.

*"But rejoice in as much as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed." 1 Peter 4:13*

~ God uses every situation to draw us nearer to Him.

~ Christ came in loving obedience to save His people as it was accomplished through the ultimate display of Christ's suffering for us on the cross.

~ No trial, sin or enemy can separate believers from the love of God.

~ Suffering has a redemptive purpose, beyond what we can fathom.

~ God does not cause evil but He does allow it in His sovereign control.

~ God sees His bigger picture and He is always doing more than we think.

~ The trials we face are used to sanctify His children.

~ We can identify with Christ's suffering and death.

~ Paul says in Philippians 3:10

*"I want to know Christ-yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death."*

~ Suffering prepares us to comfort others.

~ Jesus calls us to be faithful, even to the point of death, and to hold on to what we have until He comes... and endure patiently.

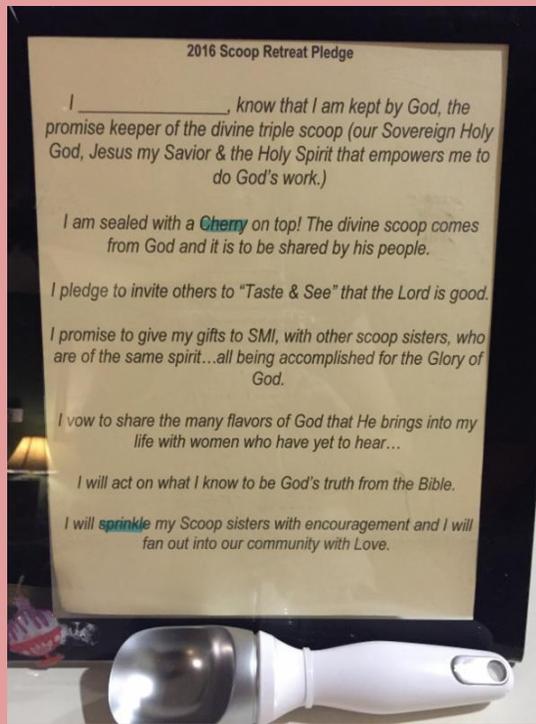
Yes, He has a promise for us...Pain and suffering will eventually end; death is swallowed up in victory! What a glorious day that will be!!

by Becki B.



**SHARING THE SCOOP SISTER PLEDGE**

FUN is always a part of Scoop gatherings for our team. A new 2016 initiation "Pom Pom Cone" pledge was declared before our Great God. We share it with you all as we do our best to live out God's purposes through His ministry.





More **Good News...** for there is another connection to GROW with an in-depth Bible Study Class called *Bible Study Fellowship*. This class produces a passionate commitment to Christ, His Word and His Church.

A Welcome & informational class is scheduled for the Tracy Satellite.

When: **Friday, May 6, 2016**

Where: **Journey Christian Church**

4600 Tracy Blvd. Suite #101 (There will be a sign on the door)

Time: 9:10-11:00 am

We do not have a Children's Program, so we ask attendees to please make babysitting arrangements (no children).

Bible Study Fellowship Contact: Sandy Ricucci 209-477-4455  
(no inquiries to church office).



### **MARCH EXERCISE OF THE MONTH...**

It's time to touch your toes with lunges or you can hold 5-8 lb weights and lunge side to side or forward and back. Do 40 lunges a day. Option B: Do 40 squats with weights in each hand.



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**Mission:**

*Fan out into our community & beyond to reach all women, so that the flavors of Jesus Christ can be shared.*

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