

_Weekly News___

In memory of Phyllis Hass, \$25 has been given to the radio broadcast fund by the Women's Ministry.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday April 19th

8:00 a.m. Worship Service (facebook live & WNAM 1280 AM)

Tuesday April 21st

6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting

Wednesday April 22nd

6:30 p.m. Prime Time with the Lord

Thursday April 23rd 9:15 a.m. Bible Study

Sunday April 26th

8:00 a.m. Worship Service (facebook live & WNAM 1280 AM)

WEEKLY CHURCH CLEANERS - Due to the "Stay at Home" orders that we are now under there is no need for any of you to continue with our Church cleaning tasks each week. When the order is finally lifted, we will resume the weekly cleaning with the teams scheduled at that point on our calendar. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact Glen or Linda Zimmerman at 920-788-6061.

Weekly Offering/E-Giving Update: As you are already aware, our weekly in-person services are currently suspended which also means we have not been able to give our weekly gifts for collection. A portion of our weekly gifts and offerings helps our ministries cover standard operating expenses, payments, bills, etc. As we are actively continuing our ministries through

Facebook services and on-line virtual schooling, the requirements for our general operating funding has not decreased. While we are waiting for our normal in-person services to resume, if you are able and still wish to give your weekly or Lenten gifts please feel free to mail your offering to our church office or use the EasyTithe giving option on our website or at this link https://app.easytithe.com/App/Giving/offering. EasyTithe giving can be a one-time or weekly reoccurring offering. You could also be setup for direct deposit through your banking institution if you are not comfortable giving online. Whatever your choice, thank you for your continued support for our St. Paul Ministries!

A message from the Apple Valley Food Pantry: We understand there will not be any physical donations coming into area churches. We hope that congregation members will continue to support the pantry during this difficult time, either with food donations or monetary donations which will be used to purchase food and supplies to continue helping those in need. Items may be dropped off at the food pantry as they are in need of the following: cereal, plain rice (1 lb. bags and Minute Rice), jam, canned fruit, tomato and chicken noodle soups, chunky soups, beef stews, canned pastas, body washes (adults), paper toweling, hamburger helper, canned tomato products, cake/brownie mixes, all side dishes (potato, rice and pasta) and canned meats (SPAM, chicken, tuna). Because we are having a difficult time purchasing in bulk, every donation above is greatly appreciated.

If you choose to give monetary donations, you are welcome to send the checks directly to:

WELS Apple Valley Food Pantry, c/o St. Matthew Ev. Lutheran Church 129 S. Mason Street Appleton, WI 54914-5246.

Checks should be made payable to WELS Apple Valley Food Pantry. At this time, we are still planning to have our May collection on Sunday, May 3, 2020. Thank you to all who were able to collect donations and deliver them. As always, thank you for your generosity!

A Note from the Hope Center in Appleton: While we celebrate the resurrection or our Lord and Savior please remember in your prayers those struggling during this time of uncertainty.

The Hope Center is continuing to serve the physical and spiritual needs of

our clients. We will continue to do so as long as we have supplies to present to them. Right now due to limitations on amounts we are able to purchase at one time this is becoming more difficult.

We would like to ask you if, when you are out shopping and you don't need to buy one for yourself, you could help us by picking up some hand soap (the kind in the pump bottle), toilet paper, and disinfecting wipes. We will have a drop off bin outside The Hope Center (1316 W Lawrence St, Appleton, Door #5) during our regular hours:

Tuesdays: 9:30-11:30 Wednesdays: 2:30-4:30 Thursdays: 1:00-3:00

Or you may call our office at 920-739-0039 and let us know where we can pick up supplies. Thank you for your assistance and prayers, and may God bless you! (The Hope Center is a volunteer run, non-profit agency that is financially supported by the members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, operating out of St. Matthew Lutheran Church.)

Martin Luther College is now accepting applications for one temporary limited term Men's Cross Country - Head Coach. A comprehensive description for this position can be found at mlc-wels.edu/hr. Interested individuals should apply-online. Applications will be accepted through 12:00 pm (noon) on Tuesday, April 28, 2020. Additional information and details can be obtained by contacting the Martin Luther College Human Resources Office at 507-354-8221.

FVL NEWS:

FVL's FOXFEST AUCTION is being held online next Friday, April 24 from 4 - 8 PM. All are welcome to participate. This event will be more important than ever because of the increased needs for Tuition Assistance posed by the pandemic. Interested individuals should register online at <u>fvlhs.org</u> before the start of the auction. Pick-up of items will be on Saturday, April 25. Items will be delivered to vehicles by FVL volunteers near the Commons entrance to minimize close contact. Questions should be directed to Megan Beyer by phone at 560-5122 or via email at <u>mbeyer@fvlhs.org</u>.

HOST FAMILIES still needed for FVL's International Program next fall. Despite the current health concerns, FVL's International program continues to offer the opportunity to share the Gospel with students from around the world. Applications are being received, and we have a great

need to find housing for at least six more male students. International Coordinator Monica Uhlenbrauck stays updated with all the latest travel and health advisories to keep both our host families and students safe. If you are interested in helping share the Gospel with international teens in this way, please contact Monica at muhnlenbrauck@fvlhs.org. A stipend of up to \$6500 is offered to host families to offset possible costs.

Give to St. Paul online or via your mobile phone - Any time, any day.

However God calls you to faithfully give, we make it simple!

ONLINE GIVING

- 1. Go to: www.easytithe.com/offering and Click SIGN IN.
- 2. Click "Register for An Account" if you are first time user.

You can give using a credit card, debit card, or, e-check. You can also set-up recurring giving. You have the option of directing your gifts to the following funds or projects:

- Church Budget offering
- St. Paul Employees Emergency Fund
- •ECC Debt Retirement
- •MLC Tuition Grants
- .Chimney Cover for church
- Push Bars for school doors
- Security Cameras
- Classroom Doors
- ·LED Lights for gym
- ·Parish Needy Fund

MOBILE PHONE

- 1. Download the EasyTithe Giving app from your Smartphone app store. Search for St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church or enter zip code 54911. Click on St. Paul.
- 2. Or, enter into your browser: www.easytithe.com/offering and Click SIGN IN.
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Note: If you give online or via the mobile app, don't feel awkward about not putting anything in the offering plate. You can still use your offering envelope during the Worship service. Mark the e-Giving box on your offering envelope and place in the offering plate!

If you are having trouble getting your EasyTithe account set-up, please reach out to Gary Jahnke at GJahnke@new.rr.com, or, 920-428-2893 for some friendly assistance!

