

August 2018

Newsletter



*St. Paul Lutheran Church*



## *From the Heart of Your Shepherd*

**"And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching." Mark 1:21**

Someone said to me the other day, "It seems like once you get past the Fourth of July summer is over." Well, I hope that's not true. I do know though that when we get to the month of August our focus definitely changes. I wonder how many people will get out school backpacks and realize that they still didn't empty them from the last day of school from the previous school year? I was walking through the store the other day and one of my kids said, "It can't be time for back to school sales already!" Well, it is that time, and we must be ready. It is time for our attention to turn to getting ready for the school year and a more routine, less relaxed, schedule again.

In the church, we want to focus again, in a special way, on Christian education. It is time for us to focus on how we will learn from God's Word, not just for ourselves, but also for our children. We see in Mark 1:21 that Jesus was teaching the people. Throughout the Gospels, we see how Jesus took advantage of every opportunity to teach people. Jesus wants to teach you as well. What does He want to teach you? He wants to teach you of His love for you. He wants to teach you about the good news of all that He has accomplished for you through His death and resurrection. He wants to teach you the whole counsel of God.

As you are focusing on getting your children ready for school, I hope that you are also focusing on their need to be taught the Word of God. I also hope that you are giving serious thought to your own need to allow Jesus to come to you in His Word and teach you. If you have not been in the habit of attending Bible study in the past, I hope that you will make this a priority for the coming year. I hope that we will see more parents, not just drop their children off for Sunday school, but also stay and study God's Word themselves.

Bible study will resume on September 9. We will finish our study of the book of Romans. We will begin a new study on September 16. The title of that study will be "Death, Dying, and Grief." We will look at what God's Word tells us about death, the way we grieve as Christians, cremation, the Christian funeral, how to plan your funeral, and many other related topics. I hope you will join us.

In His service,  
Pastor Olson

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### Mission Statement

*"Proclaiming  
the saving  
grace of  
Jesus Christ  
to all."*

## Sermon Flavor Forecast

**August 2 & 5:** Pastor Olson on vacation. Pastor DeCoste covers on Thursday and Pastor Krueger on Sunday.

**August 9 & 12:** The text for the sermon on the 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost will be the epistle reading for the day: Ephesians 4:17-5:2. The title of the sermon will be "Stripping Off the Old." The Apostle Paul talks here about how we look as God's people. He talks about how in baptism our sinful nature was stripped off and we were clothed in the righteousness of Christ. We need to daily have our sin taken away and be renewed in our Baptism.

**August 16 & 19:** The text for the sermon on the 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost will be our epistle reading from Ephesians 5:16-21. The title of the sermon will be "Walking in the Light." Our text talks about how we have been given the light of Christ in our lives. Light in the Bible means that we know Jesus and the way of salvation. However, we find ourselves constantly tempted in this world to walk in darkness. Our text talks about the importance of walking in the light and how to stay in that light of Christ.

**August 23 & 26:** Our text for this week will be from 2 Timothy 3:14-17. The title of the sermon will be "Equipped." This week is our special back to school service. Many people will have kids or grandkids who will be starting school in just a short time. All of us need to focus on our need to be receiving instruction in God's Word. Our text talks about the importance of all of us being students of God's Word.

**August 9:** Pastor will be the guest pastor on KFUD radio. He will be leading the Bible study that day on Hebrews 3. KFUD is our synod's radio station. You can listen in by going on line to KFUD.org. You can also call in with questions if you desire.



# St. Paul Lutheran School News

Excellence in Christ-centered education

Back to school sales are in full swing now. It is a sign that another school year is about to begin. The faculty and staff at St. Paul are looking forward to another school year! We look forward to providing the families in our area with "Excellence in Christ-centered education." We are excited to see an increase in enrollment this year. We have, at the time of this writing, sixty eight students enrolled. That's up from sixty two last year.

**Back to School Night:** Back to school night is on August 23. We will again be taking pictures on this night. We tried this last year, and it worked extremely well. Supplies can be dropped off in classrooms starting at 5:00 pm. The mandatory parent meeting will be at 6:00 pm.

**Opening Worship Service:** You are invited to join us for the opening school worship service at 7:30 pm. The service will be held at the church. It is a great opportunity to gather together and ask for God's blessings on the upcoming school year.

**Enrollment:** We are still accepting enrollments in our classes. St. Paul is a great place for students to receive a Christ-centered education.

**Special Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP):** St. Paul is now a part of the SNSP. This is in addition the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program. What this means is that students who may have special needs will be able to receive a scholarship to attend St. Paul. This scholarship would cover all costs of education. This will allow St. Paul to serve even more students and families. There are no income guidelines or open enrollment periods for this program. If you have any questions, you can contact the school office for additional information.

<b>August 23</b>	<b>Back to School Night</b>
<b>August 23</b>	<b>Opening Worship Service</b>
<b>September 4</b>	<b>First day of school (opening chapel at 8:30 am)</b>

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The softball tournament is the biggest fundraiser for the athletic department at St. Paul. We would like to thank our sponsors for the tournament this past spring.

Superior Siding and Gutters

Rick Duescher

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JV Kids

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Thank you for your support!

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Congratulations to the following 2017-2018 High Honor/Honor Roll students:

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**

**High Honor Roll**

Anna Olson  
Jane Olson  
Marcis Doell  
Reagan Doell  
Dylan Dahlke  
Micah Gray  
Jadelynn Kroll  
Claire Schleis  
Connor Kilgore

**Honor Roll**

Rebekah Gregorich  
Logan Kilgore  
Corinna VandenAvond  
Alex Wagner  
Jacob Treml  
Brayden Duescher  
Sara Noskowiak  
Rachel Gregorich  
Austin Budworth  
Marshall Engelking

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

**High Honor Roll**

Jane Olson  
Marcis Doell  
Reagan Doell  
Jadelynn Kroll  
Claire Schleis  
Connor Kilgore  
Bryce Belter  
Brayden Duescher  
Rachel Gregorich

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Austin Budworth  
Marshall Engelking  
Dylan Dahlke  
Micah Gray

**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**

**High Honor Roll**

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Dylan Dahlke  
Reagan Doell



#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

##### High Honor Roll

Jane Olson  
Marcis Doell  
Reagan Doell  
Claire Schleis  
Connor Kilgore  
Brayden Duescher

##### Honor Roll

Anna Olson  
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Corinna VandenAvond  
Alex Wagner  
Jacob Treml  
Rachel Gregorich  
Austin Budworth  
Marshall Engelking  
Dylan Dahlke  
Micah Gray  
Bryce Belter  
Wyatt Christoph  
Jadelynn Kroll

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## Christian Service Guild News:

Christian Service Guild will be held on Wednesday, August 8 at 7:30pm in the church meeting room. Sedonie Zeitler will lead us in a Bible study, "He Adores You." All ladies are welcome! Dianne Zeitler and Arlene Gruetzmacher attended the LWML convention in Stevens Point in June. We voted on Mission Grants for 2018 – 2020 totaling \$107,000. This money comes out of money we put in our Mite Box every month and anyone may donate to the box in the Narthex. We praise the Lord for helping us to meet our Mission Goal for 2016 – 2018 in the amount of \$105,000.

Bethesda Volunteer day is August 9 from 9:00 – 3:00pm  
½ price sale days are August 24-25

*Thank  
you!*

A big thank you to the person or persons who donated cleaning supplies to the Church. It is much appreciated!

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# THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED WITH THE FELLOWSHIP HALL BLEACHER PROJECT

Pastor Robb Raasch and Mount Olive Lutheran Church & School of Appleton for responding to our Craigslist post searching for the bleachers.

Doug Doell for picking up and transporting the bleachers from Appleton.

Robert Dahlke for allowing us to work on the bleachers in the shed.

Scott Jahnke for repainting the bleachers.

To the following individuals that reengineered the bleachers, painted them, transported them, and/or installed them:

- Brad Belter
- Bob Dahlke
- Kevin Dahlke
- Lyle Dahlke
- Robert Dahlke
- Ryan Dahlke
- Arlie Doell
- Marcis Doell
- Pat Doell
- Reagan Doell
- Steve Doell
- Sara Doell
- Logan Kilgore
- Travis Kilgore
- Jon Schleis
- Kris Schleis
- Claire Schleis
- Stella Schleis

Thank you to the three anonymous donors that contributed money to the athletic fund to make this project possible.

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*Thank you to our Sunday School teachers and helpers that share the Word of God with our youngsters every Sunday morning. We are forever thankful for their service. We continue to look for new helpers and teachers. Teachers can teach every week or 'job share'. There is a teacher's guide that explains the lessons and easy hands-on projects for the students. In addition, St. Paul families have the best students in the area! Helpers help little ones with jackets and papers. Helpers in older grades may work with memory, projects, or small groups. We'd love to see new faces helping out at Sunday School. Please stay and join in your child's class. You'll be great at it!*



# Stewardship News & Views

Stewardship Food for Thought:

We get more from giving than we do from simply getting. For giving softens our hearts and frees us from the grip which the worries of this world and making a living has on us. For when we are singularly focused on making a living, we are singularly focused on what we get. That mindset begins to bleed into all areas of our lives—our relationships with friends and family, with neighbors and coworkers, and with the Lord. It shifts our focus from asking the question—How can I be a friend, family member, neighbor, and servant to others—to asking the question—what have they done for me lately. We become more selfish instead of selfless.

But when we give, we do not have less, we have more because when we give we join in the bond of friendship and family, the bond of service to those around us out of love for them. And love is the fulfillment of the Law. It is the nature of God Himself, for God is Love. Thus we are reflecting the divine nature. As Jesus said “It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35).

We hope everyone is enjoying summer with family and friends. Soon, school will be back in session again for our youth and it will be back to school shopping. This means the Wish List apple tree will be set up again soon in the narthex with apples listing various items needed for our church and school. We had a great response in the past and hope to again this year to help cut costs of the many expenses incurred. Thank you to all in advance for your continued support!

Sincerely,

The Stewardship Committee -- Linda Dahlke, Tricia Brand and Cindy Doell

**Luke 19:45** – “**And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold.**” The House of God is a House of Prayer. It’s not a place to sell, but to give. It’s not a place of profit, but of sacrifice. God sets the pattern of giving and sacrifice in the self-giving work of Jesus on the cross. As He is, so we are called to be.



## Holy Humor

I'M SORRY, BUT GOING TO THE POT LUCK DINNER AT CHURCH SIMPLY DOESN'T QUALIFY AS YOU TAKING ME OUT FOR A DRESS UP, ROMANTIC DINNER.



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**DVD's** are available of the church service. Call the church office at 920-845-2095 and one of our volunteers will deliver it to you.

**Need a ride to church?** Please notify the church office for a ride to and from church services.

**Newsletter Deadline:** the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month.

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