

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known; As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our Faith through studying God's Word and Worshipping God.

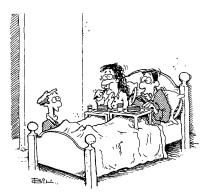




"Easter already? Seems like just last week we were here for Christmas!"



"Mom, the Sunday school teacher said our brains are like computers. When is God going to upgrade mine?"

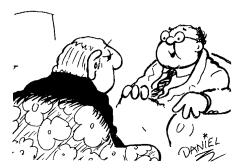


"I couldn't find any vegetable oil for the pancakes, so I substituted Dad's anointing oil."





OKAY IF LACT NORMAL NOW THAT WE'RE OUT OF CHURCH?



"Well, if you don't believe in the organized church, you'll love ours -we're as disorganized as they come!"



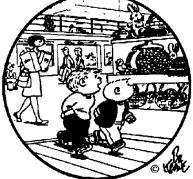
"It was a stroke of genius, Pastor, asking them each to give the price of a movie."



"You're kidding! I always assumed that death would *end* taxes!



THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"This may be Good Friday, but Sunday's gonna be even gooder." By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

Why all the cartoons? Many years ago it was the practice of some sects of the church to begin the sermons on the Sunday morning after Easter by telling jokes. It was to remember the biggest joke ever played: the joke God played on the devil on the first Easter morning. The punch line of the joke was, "Jesus is not dead, he has risen!" (Maybe it is

appropriate that Easter falls

on April Fool's Day this year.) As a good joke grabs our attention and turns everything around, God has turned our world upside down from evil conquering all, to a life of hope and promise.



St. Paul Lutheran,

I hope everyone has had a good Easter break. We can now breathe for a while until VBS, which is the last week of June (25th - 29th). I want to say a special thank you for the youth that came out and helped during our work day. We still have much more work to do so be on the lookout for another day. I had three youth show up, two of which are members here, and another who was tagging along with St. Paul's kids that day.

It has been a while since I have been in a university setting but I still remember how hectic these last nine weeks of school can be. While it may seem like there is not enough time in the day for homework, studying, school projects, and getting kids to baseball practice and games, I assure you there is. Please remember to slow your day down a bit. Take ten minutes to yourself and do nothing but breath. Some relaxation time during these last few weeks goes a long way. We are almost to summer.

Speaking of summer, I am excited to introduce you to the "Talking *Pictures*" family bible study! This unique bible series looks at secular movies through the lens of the gospel. We will analyze and find major themes that have been presented in the bible. Drinks and popcorn will be provided. Next month I will release all the movies plus the dates we are showing each movie.

Peace be with you, Nicholas

COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 8, 2018

President, Bill Klaevemann, called the meeting of St. Paul Church Council to order. Present for the meeting were Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Bill Klaevemann, Beverly Bruns, Calvin Bruns, Jay



Heil, Lois Kelch, Ray Lange, Cathy Moritz, and Dorothy Mayfield. **Devotion** -The devotion was given by Calvin Bruns.

Minutes – With no additions or corrections, the minutes stand approved as presented.

Reports

A. Treasurer - Calvin reported that the income minus the expenses of the Annual Barbeque was \$9,379.65, each of the 4 recipients received \$2,344.91. Recipients were Yorktown Volunteer Fire Department, Yorktown Assistance Ministry, Yorktown EMS, and The Learning Garden. Calvin also reported

that although last month we were in deficit spending, this month we are back in positive. The endowment meeting was moved to the 12th and the meeting with Pastor Tim and Katie to reorganize the items in the budget will be held after Easter. Sometime before the end of the year a professional audit team may audit the books. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

B. Stewardship - no report

C. Youth - no report

D. Worship – Jay reported that the activities for Easter week are being finalized.

E. Social Concerns - no report

F. Property – Ray played Smoky the Bear for the Learning Garden, cabinets are finished in the bathrooms, getting quote on cabinet in 4 year old room, door for Nicholas' door will be installed, lights have been installed on the awning, Bosart recommended changes to locks on all buildings, two water leaks were repaired at the cemetery, desk in Youth Director's office, March 14th landscaping will be done around Church, handicapped signs will be added, head usher to be sure thermostat is set correctly, and working with city on water bills.

G. Parish Education - No report

H. C. E. M. – See attached report

I. Evangelism/Outreach – An ad from St. Paul Lutheran Church was placed in the newspaper congratulating the basketball team from Yorktown High School. Lois needs information concerning the Easter activities to put in the newspaper.

J. Christian Life – Cathy reported that approximately 50 people attended the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper, approximately 100 attended the Lenten Rotational Supper, the farewell potluck lunch for Hans and Anne was attended by approximately 106 people, and on March 18th, Christian Life will show a movie and serve popcorn and pizza. The committee is also planning for a Potluck meal on April 29th and a Pentecost furnished meal on May 20th.

K. Cemetery - Pastor Tim, Bill, and Sandra Heil met to discuss the controversial tree at the cemetery and are working on 3 options to send the Gerhardt family. A cover letter will be sent with the options and a time limit for their response will be included. St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery care provisions: part of cemetery with curbing should be cared for by families; while the newer section without curbing is taken care of by the church.

L. Nicholas – Plans have been finalized for VBS, which will be held on June 25-29. June 21 through June 24th will be decorating days. The kid's bags that are used by children during church will have some revisions. During Spring Break some students will do landscaping around the Church. Other activities being considered include cemetery visitation, volunteering at the nursing home or dog shelter in Cuero, having movies, a teacher workshop, and parent day. Nicholas will also need help as he works on a policy for a guide for working with children. The council would like Nicholas and the Youth committee to go over the guide and present their suggestions to the Church Council.

M. Pastor – During January, Pastor Tim had 10 worship services, 1 hospital visit, 14 Home visits, 6 education events, 8 Church meetings and events, and 1 week of vacation. For official acts Pastor Tim had burial of Ellen Bargmann, 1 transfer out to Zion Lutheran, and burial of Parker Frisbie.

OLD BUSINESS NEW BUSINESS

A. Quick Book Administrator

Beverly made a motion to appoint Pastor Tim and Katie Serrano as Quick Book Administrators for St. Paul Lutheran Church. Ray seconded the motion. The Motion carried.

B. Convocation delegate

Lois made a motion to send Michael Melanson to the convocation as a delegate. Jay seconded the motion. The motion carried. Two additional delegates may attend.

C. Keys and locks

In order to simplify and make the use of keys around the Church more efficient and safer, Ray made a motion accept the locksmith's bid up to \$5,000 to change all locks. Dorothy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

D. Increased cost of restrooms

Due to an unknown problem with the sewer lines, Schroeder Plumbing needs to add approximately \$3,000 to the cost of adding the additional restrooms for the Learning Garden. Ray made the motion to allow the \$3,000 increase, but no higher. Jay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

E. Administrator to Cemetery

Ray made a motion to accept Kristin Schustereit as Administrator to the Cemetery. Dorothy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

F. Old, falling-down building at cemetery

The old, rotted building at the cemetery can be eliminated.

G. Benches

The condition and appearance of the benches around the big oak tree need to be considered.

Adjournment

Jay made a motion to adjourn. Ray seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was closed with The Lord's Prayer.

2018 COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT - Bill Klaevemann – 649-2753 SECRETARY - Dorothy Mayfield - 550-9136 PARISH ED – Kimberly Gaus – 361-243-8696 STEWARDSHIP – Calvin Bruns – 564-9115 WORSHIP – Jay Heil – 564-3780 CHRISTIAN LIFE – Cathy Moritz – 830-305-8628 PROPERTY – Ray Lange – 571-7629 SOCIAL CONCERNS – Judy Taylor – 564-3894 YOUTH - Beverly Bruns – 564-9115 EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Lois Kelch - 361-401-0150

Financial SReport

FINANCIAL	REPORT	
GENERAL FUND	YTD 2018	
Income	79,209.58	
Expenses	81,870.48	
NET	(2,660.90)	
BUILDING FUND	YTD 2018	
Income	16,918.97	
Expense	85,941.10	
NET	(69,022.13)	



Tuesday, APRIL 3, 2018

Group	Time	Study Leader	Hostess
FAITH	9:00 a.m.	Kathie Fehner	Linda Hurta
GRACE	9:00 a.m.	Shirley Janssen-Mueller	Hope Jendrzey
Joy	2:30 p.m.	Group	Meeting Room

Cemetery Decoration Day is set for Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 10:30 am.





Join us for Cradle Workshop April 10, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lounge in the Education Building.



SAVE THE DATES and join us for upcoming Christian Life activities:

• The 5th Sunday potluck dinner will be held on April 29th after Sunday School.

• Come relax and join us for a furnished congregational meal to celebrate Pentecost on May 20th after Sunday School.



BBQ AND BAKE SALE

FUNDRAISER was a success! After it was all said and done, the total that we profited was \$9,379.64. Yorktown Volunteer Fire Department,



YAM, Yorktown EMS and The Learning Garden each received a donation in the amount of \$2,344.91. Thank you again for everyone's hard work and dedication!



Happy birthday to Jean Herwig who turns 80 on April 9th! She is unable to be here but you can send her a birthday card to:

Jean Herwig c/o Roger Herwig 684 Matejek Rd. Yorktown, Texas 78164

For Church repairs, Maintenance or anything that might need fixing in or around St. Paul Lutheran, please contact Ray Lange at 361-571-7629.

Senior Center Bingo- 4/6/18 at 12:30-Yorktown Fire Station. Free Blood Pressure Checks and Fall Risk Assessment for the community @ 10:00AM on 4/6/18 in the parking lot at the fire station.



DISASTER RELIEF



I received the following email and request to communicate this information with the rest of the Mission District (and I'm including North Texas as well). As I hope you are aware, the warehouse at Peace in Rosenberg is an outreach of our Mission District in coordination with the NALC Disaster Relief efforts. It was dedicated on February 1_{st} , with Pr. Mark Chavez, the General Secretary of the NALC, Pr. Mike Giese, Peace Lutheran Church, and myself. Please give this your attention as you are able.

My name is Michael Dittrich and I am the work crew & warehouse coordinator at Peace Lutheran Church, Rosenberg.

There is still much work to be done in regards to disaster response and the volunteer crews have been busy working on houses in the Richmond/Rosenberg area. There is so much work that funding that had been donated has almost been depleted.



Could you send out a message asking for

gift cards (Lowe's, Home Depot, etc.) to help in purchasing building supplies? It would help tremendously. We have crews scheduled in March and April and a couple more planning to set dates.

We are also looking volunteers to come help with rebuilding. Skills most needed are texturing walls, tile work and flooring. We have a Parsonage that can accommodate up to 15 people max. To make arrangements, please contact me, Michael Dittrich, directly.

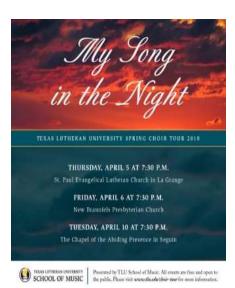
Thanks for your help and prayers! Michael Dittrich cell: 713-254-0044 email: michael.patd@gmail.com



Miranda and Kevin Rohan announce the birth of a son, on March 14, 2018 at 7:58 am weighing 7 pounds and 15.8 ounces and 20 inches in length. Congratulations!!

The Lenten Service offerings collected for YAM are as follows:		Rio
St. Paul Lutheran	\$1173.00	
Holy Cross	\$ 920.35	Thomas
United Methodist	\$ 954.11	Thank
First Presbyterian	\$ 592.00	YOU!
San Luis	\$ 469.00	
Total	\$4108.46	

Thank you so much for your support. The collections will allow YAM to purchase over 21,000 pounds of food during the year.



SPRING CHOIR TOUR 2018

Under the direction of Dr. Douglas Boyer, director of the TLU School of Music and Choral Activities, the TLU Choir, Women's Choir, and Kantorei Chamber Choir will present "My Song in the Night."

All concerts are free; no tickets are required. The concerts begin at 7:30 p.m.



What's happening at The Learning Garden!!

Summer/Fall Enrollment:

The Learning Garden is currently enrolling for the Summer/Fall. April 2nd- 27th we are enrolling our current children attending and members of St. Paul. Open enrollment for the public for Fall Session May 1st - 31st. For more information, contact Tracie in the office.

Bathrooms: Bathrooms have been started and we are so excited. The children have been enjoying all the construction going on around here lately.

The Learning Garden Board Members:

- Betsy Weischwill
- Anna Foerster
- Aimee Fehner
- Linda Peyton
- Rebecca Innocenti
- Kristin Schustereit ~ New Member
- Pastor Tim
- Tracie Fielding

Enrollment:

Current Fall Enrollment ~ 53 children

- Infants ~ 6
- Toddlers ~ 5
- Two-Year Old's ~ 10
- Preschool ~ 15
- Prekindergarten ~ 16
- After School ~ 1

<u>Waitlist:</u>

- 2 ~ Infants
- 1 ~ Toddler
- 2 ~ 3-year-olds

• 1 ~ After Schooler

Staff:

- Director ~ Tracie Fielding
 - Lead Teachers ~

Infants ~ Samantha Daulley

- Toddlers ~ Megan Valdez
- Two's ~ Shawn Williams
- Preschool ~ Joann Garcia
- Prekindergarten ~ Donna Baxter
- Teacher's Assistants ~
 - Infants ~ Fay Syzdek & Chante Slade
 - Toddlers ~ Leticia Pena
 - Two's ~ Priscilla Martinez
 - Preschool ~ Anne Spies
- Prekindergarten ~ Amanda Keith & Cassandra Slade
- Floaters/Substitutes ~ Lisa Wehlmann & Janice Lipscomb
- Cook ~ Estela Sierra
- Housekeeper ~ Elida Cruz

If you have any questions, or just want to come in to visit us let Tracie know. You are all welcome to come see what we do here at The Learning Garden.

So thankful for our gift, Friends! And how special it is to us here at the mission – receiving

your birthday offering. Kids supporting kids! What a beautiful and blessed thing..... Yours in Christ, Rev. Don Marshall Executive Director Oaks Indian Mission





I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to St. Paul, who have sent messages of kindness, condolence and sympathy. Your support and thoughts have made this difficult time a little

easier. Thank you for remembering my dear Father–in-law, Agustin Serrano Sr., in your prayers and for reaching out to my family as we struggle to cope with our loss. Sincerely, Ruben & Katie Serrano

and Family

Through the kindness of supporters like you, our mission of providing medical



services to our community and surrounding areas is enhanced by your gift of \$2,344.91. We thank you for your generous gift. It will be used toward the purchase of the small house behind the EMS building. The house will be used to house the volunteers on call. Sincerely, EMS Director George W. Robinson





Words of Wellness for April 2018 From the Wesley Nurse

"This Life is Pretty Amazing"

I don't think I am alone in that I sometimes get tied up in knots taking myself and the challenges I face too seriously. Not that life isn't serious sometimes, it's just that taking myself too seriously is rarely helpful-for me or for others. So as a recess from taking myself too seriously, and in honor of a certain author's birthday this week, I am delighted to share a few of my favorite quotes from Theodore Geisel, better known, of course, as Dr. Seuss.

Dr. Seuss, born March 2, 1904, is perhaps best known for his ability to say profound things with just the right dose of humor. He is known for sharing wisdom in such a way that both children and adults can easily understand the message.

So here are few of my favorite Dr. Seuss quotes, ones that I think offer the perfect combination of humor and wisdom. If your favorite quote of his is not on this list, I would love to know what it is!

"Today you are you that is truer than true."

"You're on your own. And you know what you know. And you're the one who'll decide where to go."

"You have brains in your head; you have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

"A person's a person, no matter how small."

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

"With your head full of brains and your shoes full of feet, you're too smart to go down any not-so-good street."

"You're in pretty good shape for the shape you are in."

"From there to here, and here to there, funny things are everywhere."

"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

"I like nonsense; it wakes up the brain cells."

"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."

"Step with care and great tact, and remember that Life's a Great Balancing Act."

"It is better to know how to learn than to know."

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment, until it becomes a memory."

"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."

"Because when you stop and look around, this life is pretty amazing!"

Your Wesley Nurse, Kathy Frels, RN

Reference: LivingCompass.com. Samaritan Family Wellness Foundation. 500 W. Silver Spring Dr. K270 Glendale, WI 53217



APRIL 2018 SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, April 1, 2018 – Easter Day

First Lesson: Acts 10:34-43 Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Second Lesson: Corinthians 15:1-11 Gospel: Mark 16:1-8

Sunday, April 8, 2018 – Second Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35 Psalm: Psalm 133 Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2 Gospel: John 20:19-31



Sunday, April 15, 2018 – Third Sunday of Easter



First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19 Psalm: Psalm 4 Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7 Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

Sunday, April 22, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 4:5-12 Psalm: Psalm 23 Second Lesson: 1 John 3:16-24 Gospel: John 10:11-18



Sunday, April 29, 2018 – Fifth Sunday of Easter



First Lesson: Acts 8:26-40 Psalm: Psalm 22:24-30 Second Lesson: 1 John 4:7-21 Gospel: John 15:1-8

We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:



Beatrice Hoegemeyer – who passed away February 28, 2018. Services were held March 3, 2018.

Larry Vasbinder – who passed away March 18, 2018. Services were held March 21, 2018.

Joyce Audilet – who passed away March 21, 2018. Services were held March 26, 2018

May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them assurance.

memorials gifts

<u>In memory of Myles Pattillo</u> – Building Carlton & Sandra Bolting Daisy Borgfeld <u>In memory of Ellen Bargmann</u> – Building Carlton & Sandra Bolting Dan Gohmert <u>In memory of Ellen Bargmann</u> – CEM Jay & Sandra Heil <u>In memory of Parker Frisbie</u> – Building Carlton & Sandra Bolting Doug & Jolene Billings Boyd & Pam Weise Melissa Stolle Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert **Dennis Henze** Jim & Joan Urban Lyn Janssen Mary Lou Gerhardt **Caroline Blain** Jim & Judy Noster In memory of Parker Frisbie - Cemetery Steven & Debbie Kneese In memory of Patrick Hull – Building Carlton & Sandra Bolting In memory of Charles Borgfeld – Building Jesse & Linda Hurta In memory of Tommie Howard - Building Margaret Wollny In memory of Gerry Riske - CEM Curtis & Viola Davis Jay & Sandra Heil In memory of Gerry Riske - Building Ed & Pat Shearer Larry & Elaine Henze **Renae Pierce** In memory of Otto Janssen - Building Boyd & Pam Weise Manroy & Gracie Wolpman Melissa Stolle Glen & Judy Henze **Dennis Henze** Arlen & Kathie Fehner Velma Lee Moritz David & Patsy Ibrom Dorothy Mayfield Joyce M. Lamprecht Kraege & Judy Wolpman Ralph & Lillian Lau Harvey & Shirley Mueller Robert & Lorene Migura Don & Joyce Strauss **Beth Sievers** Jim & Judy Noster In memory of Otto Janssen - CEM Don & Susan Wieland Jay & Sandra Heil In memory of Otto Janssen - Cemetery Emil & Bernice Geffert Steven & Debbie Kneese In memory of Roy Wild – Building **Daisy Borgfeld** In memory of Norris Schultz – Building Melissa Stolle Mehran & Marsha Nezhad In memory of Ruby Braun – CEM Jay & Sandra Heil

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*Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of March 23, 2018.



What is prayer?

If the Bible is our food, then prayer is our air. It's the way by which we draw in the atmosphere of God.

Prayer is rich and varied. Sometimes we confess our sins in a prayer of penitence. Sometimes we praise God in worship and thanksgiving. Sometimes we ask God for help and grace to meet whatever comes our way. Sometimes we pray for other people. Sometimes we're quiet, knowing that when we stop clamoring and pleading our case, there comes a sense of God's reply, some intimation of his will, some message from him to us.

Remember that nothing God can ever give is comparable to himself. It is God we seek in prayer. Everything else is secondary.



BIBLE QUIZ

When John was exiled to the island of Patmos, he wrote the book of Revelation. In the first chapter, verse 10, John says he was in the spirit on the Lord's day (Sunday) and had a vision of someone he called the Son of Man (meaning Christ). Christ was dressed in a long robe with something draped across his chest. What was it?



- A. A golden sash
- B. A towel
- C. A ribbon with a cross sewn on it
- D. A palm Leaf

[ANSWER: A (SEE REVELATION 1:13)]

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