# GOOD NEWS



## 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 Worshiping God.



This month we celebrate the 249th birthday of our nation. The 4th of July is always a time for flag waving, picnics, fireworks, family gettogethers, and good times. We can be so thankful for the privilege we have to live in a nation with such freedom as we have. Be sure to acknowledge that blessing during your celebration.

There are many, even our own land, who because of poverty cannot celebrate this holiday. (That says nothing about the millions of poor in other lands.) Several years ago at Camp Chrysalis the campers had a hunger-meal. To correspond to the population of the world, the 180 persons in camp were divided in this way: 10 were escorted to a table with linen tablecloth, candles, etc. to be served a multi-course meal with all they could eat; about 1/3 of the campers sat on the floor at low tables and were able to get one serving of everything on the menu; all the rest of the campers were served one bowl of rice and had to sit on the floor in a very crowded space. The idea was to help all see the realities of the world in which we live – some have more than they need, some have enough, and many struggle to survive. Afterwards, in cabin groups, they talked about the feelings and facts of what happened in that meal and what they can do about hunger and thirst in God's world. For a number of the kids, it brought home the realities of our tendency toward selfishness and "me first" attitudes; and most of the young people were able to grasp the sense of how well-off the vast majority of US citizens are.

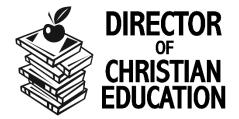
The abundance with which we are blessed in this nation goes far beyond the amount of food we eat or goods we consume. The freedoms we enjoy, the education provided us, the relative safety of our lives, and the opportunities for advancement are, in their combined package, unequaled in this world. We have much for which to be grateful as we celebrate as a nation! There are, however, some real concerns that we as Christians need to be aware of and do our part to reverse the trend of hunger. One way of combating the trend is through our offerings to the church. Portions of our Benevolence goes to combating world hunger by providing: education for agricultural techniques and work skills in third world countries, advocacy for the poor, food for the hungry, relief to refugees, clean water projects, help in times of natural (and human-made) disasters, crisis centers for people in need at home and abroad. In our congregation benevolence is a percentage (16%) of all general offering.



"I know you're supposed to give even if it hurts a little, but you're turning black and blue!"

We have a country that is fully blessed. We have lives of abundance. We are fortunate enough to be among the people sitting around the table with all that we can eat, but something is wrong with the picture. Can we add more places to the table? Each of us can make a difference.

Your Pastor, Tim W Muehlbrad



#### Come And Take A "Road Trip" With Us!

Our Vacation Bible School is scheduled for Monday, July 21st through Friday, July 25th. The theme is "Road Trip". The younger age groups-PreK 3 and 4 year olds will attend from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The School

age group will attend from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Supper will be served and the menu is available on the back of the registration form. Please consult the meal schedule and if the evening meal is not acceptable for your child please bring a lunchbox labeled with their name for the evening(s). The last day on Friday will be a special picnic and "Waterday!" Look for more information on that soon!

Currently we have needs in the following areas: -Possible Kitchen Help for the meals.

Any volunteer who might be willing to help! If you can help in these ways please contact Tina Boehm (361) 491-1625 or Terry Carmichael (210) 551-8520

Registration forms are available for signing up the children. We look forward to having you join us on our "Road Trip!"

ALSO: Watch for an announcement soon for how you might be able to help with the snacks for the program!

#### Summer Camp AND Prayer Request

We have 13 campers and two adult sponsors who will attend Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, TX on July 13-18. There are 2 boys and 11 girls attending. This will be our first time attending Camp Lone Star in LaGrange, TX but we are looking forward to the same great worship, fun, games, water activities, and enjoying nature together.

CONGREGATION: We ask that you please pray for our campers and sponsors! Pray that we have safe travel to and from camp and that we have a great and faith filled time while there. Pray, also, for the camp and the staff that they have a great and safe week as well! Thanks! NOTE TO CAMP PARENTS: If you have not dropped your \$175

refundable deposit into the church office we need that deposit now. Also, please make sure you have made a deposit into the Camp Store account. You will not be allowed to add anything to the account once the camper arrives at camp or during their time there so please make sure you go online now and place funds in your child's Camp Store Account! This camp uses this method for purchases there during the week as its sole way to buy things in the store.

#### Summer Sunday School Help

We still have 4-5 Sundays left to fill up through August. We provide all you need including the lesson instructions, any copies you may need, and any supplies. ALL WE NEED IS YOU! Our children benefit from seeing members of the congregation sharing their faith and time with them as they learn together. It drives home the point that faith is valuable, not only in their lives, but in the lives of everyone!

**Looking Ahead**: Rally Day will be Sunday August 17th!



## CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH June 10, 2025 @ 6 PM

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.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER- The meeting of the Church Council of St. Paul Lutheran Church was called to order by Boyd Weise, President. Council members present for the meeting were Boyd Weise, Wade Bolting, Laurey Garcia, Jay Heil, Larry Gohmert, Pam Hoefling, Ashleigh Peyton, Susan Franke, and Pastor Tim Muehlbrad. Terry Carmichael and Amanda Rodriguez were also in attendance.
- 2. **DEVOTION** Laurey Garcia opened the meeting with prayer.
- 3. **MINUTES-** Laurey Garcia made a motion to accept May 13, 2025, minutes as presented. Wade Bolting seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- 4. REPORTS-

- a. **Treasurer/Stewardship-** Calvin Bruns provided a written report.
- b. Parish Education- Jill Turner Reported:
  - 1. Tina and I met on 6/3 to talk about upcoming VBS July 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. This is what she has so far:
    - a. Opening and closing- Tina
    - b. Opening and closing music-Terry and FFF will help lead music for the opening
    - c. Music-Pastor Tim
    - d. Bible Story- Laurey
    - e. Crafts- Mariann and Caleigh
    - f. Kitchen- Kristin, Anna, Cori, Johanna, and Jill
    - g. Group Leaders- Linda, Boyd, Jasine, Aiden, Arianna, Madison, The Boltings, Zoe
    - h. Nursery Leaders- Brylee and Wycoda
    - i. Lessons and crafts for the nursery- Mrs. Peyton
    - j. Nursery Helpers-The Hilbrichs, Jenni, and Carla
    - k. Student Helpers in the Nursery- Piper, Lainey, and Molly
    - Student Helpers- Abigail, Bailey, Paige, and Ellyn
    - m. Photos-Kellan
    - n. Methodist Church Kitchen- Jennifer and Regis
    - o. Presbyterian Church Kitchen-Terry
  - 2. Tina will make a list of items and food and ask the Congregation for donations
- c. Youth Committee Report- Laurey Garcia reported:
  - 1. The JH & HS students assembled our Father's Day gifts during our Sunday School hour on 6/8. Our youth will hand out the Father's Day gifts during both Saturday 6/14 and Sunday 6/15 services.
  - 2. Paint and Praise with Nancy Beeson will be Saturday, 6/14 from 1-3 PM in the fellowship hall.
  - 3. July brings VBS! Our youth are excited and ready to help!
  - 4. Our FFF numbers continue to grow! Our FFF swim party on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> @ El Shaddai was well attended with 21 youth and 5 adults. The kids had a blast, the pool was cool, and the pizza was

- perfect! We had 23 youth attend the FFF Bunco Party on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>! They had a fantastic time!
- 5. Next up will be Movie Night on Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 PM in the basement. We will eat chili dogs, popcorn, and of course plenty of candy! The FFF Jammies & Jesus lock-in is Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 PM-7 AM. The kids are out of their minds looking forward to it! As one of our service projects, we will make lap blankets to send to the NALC Disaster Relief during our lock-in, along with LOTS of other fun things. Students must fill out and return their registration forms on or before Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, if they want to attend.
- 6. Our next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 @ 6 PM.

#### d. DCE- Terry Carmichael reported:

- 1. Besides the normal duties (Childcare Chapels, Sunday School, and other duties), the following were accomplished:
- 2. Performed with PT & Friends on 5/25.
- 3. Continue working on camp registration, plans for the event, and several contacts with the camp on registration questions. We have 11 youths and 2 sponsors registered.
- 4. Organized the Year End Sunday School and Banner Pizza Party on 6/1. We had 24 youth and children attend.
- 5. Attended Senior Baccalaureate Service on 5/18.
- 6. Have been preparing the Summer Sunday School Curriculum, music choices, schedule, and have been copying all the lessons for all of the Sundays in the summer.
- 7. Have been providing teachers who have signed up to lead summer Sunday School sessions with materials and supplies.
- 8. Have been reviewing several possible curriculum choices for the Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade for the coming year.

- 9. Assisted with leading the worship service and providing the message for services on 6/7 and 6/8 while Pastor Tim was on vacation.
- 10. I have registered for the NALC Lutheran Week activities August 4-8 in Pittsburgh, PA. My involvement will be in events from August 4<sup>th</sup> through the afternoon of August 6th. NOTE: Due to flight schedules, I will be leaving in the morning on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and will return the evening of August 7<sup>th</sup>.
- e. Worship- No report provided.
- f. Evangelism/Outreach- Wade Bolting reported:
  - 1. Postcards have been made to reach out to visitors. One has been mailed so far.
- g. Social Concerns- Susan Franke reported:
  - 1. Assistance was provided to 1 individual in May 2025.
    - a. Provided help with \$100.00 on water bill.
- h. Christian Life- Pam Hoefling reported:
  - 1. 6/8 Christian Life prepared a Pentecost Chicken Spaghetti Dinner. Approximately 50 people attended.
  - 2. In July, donuts and coffee will be held at the plaza outside the church after service.
- i. Property- Larry Gohmert Reported:
  - 1. The quarterly inspection of our generator is scheduled for Friday, June 13th, between 8 AM and 10 AM. There should be no interruption in electrical service during the inspection.
  - 2. Our elevator passed its annual inspection, although Felix from TKE said that he "noticed some glitches with the main board." It is still functioning, but should it fail, that model is obsolete now, which would necessitate the replacement of the entire controller, at a substantial cost. We're still trying to get a ballpark number for that cost.
  - 3. Schroeder Air Conditioning has been working with Moon to develop a plan for replacing the failed air

- conditioning unit in the church. Their best estimate of the cost is \$43,000.
- 4. Mark Vavrusa with DeWitt M&J Enterprises has sprayed the pecan trees for webworms. He also offered to spray the oak trees for ball moss. He said he would spray annually for 2 years, and then it should be good for 5 or 6 years. He said it's a slow process for the moss to die, and then to wait for the wind and rain to blow it out. He's thinking it will be around \$750 to do it.
- j. Cemetery- No report provided.
- k. C.E.M. Tracie Fielding provided a written report.
- 1. Pastor-
  - 1. Professional activities during May 2025:
    - a. 9 Worship Services
    - b. 1 Hospital visit
    - c. 10 Home Visits
    - d. 3 Educational Events
    - e. 7 Church Meetings and Events
  - 2. Official Acts during May 2025:
    - a. 5/11 Baptism of Mason Rylan Loera, Aubrey Hazel Loera, and Addilyn Renee Johnson
    - 5/18 Rite of Confirmation: Ellie Bargmann, Molly Gaus, Aadin Koopmann, Braxton Lassmann, Colt Lassmann, Piper Peyton, Paige Rippamonti, and Ellyn Warwas
    - c. 5/25 Baptism of Ivan Andrew Dueser
    - d. 5/30 Funeral of John Dale Hurst

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Replacing the plumbing is on hold.
- b. The new copier has been installed by DeWitt Poth and is running wonderfully.
- c. Replacing carpet in the Chapel is on hold.
- d. Discussion about replacing the commercial-grade A/C in the Sanctuary. Larry Gohmert made a motion to proceed with replacing the air conditioner in the Sanctuary with Schroeder Air Conditionings' estimated

bid of \$43,000. Laurey Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Maintenance needed for the elevator was discussed.

  The motherboard of the elevator is acting up. Amanda is waiting to hear an estimate for replacing the motherboard from TK Elevator.
- 7. **CLOSING-** Pam Hoefling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jay Heil seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Ashleigh Peyton

#### **2025 COUNCIL MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT – Boyd Weise
SECRETARY – Ashleigh Peyton
PARISH ED – Jill Turner
STEWARDSHIP – Calvin Bruns
WORSHIP – Jay Heil
CHRISTIAN LIFE – Pam Hoefling
PROPERTY – Larry Gohmert
SOCIAL CONCERNS – Susan Franke
YOUTH – Laurey Garcia
EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Wade Bolting

#### **SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:**

A special congregational meeting has been called for July 13<sup>th</sup> to take action on a sports court for the youth. There will be no Sunday School that day.



**GENERAL FUND BUILDING FUND** YTD 2025 YTD 2025 **Beginning Balance** \$43,881.83 **Beginning Balance** \$112,059.71 Income Income \$50,361.69 \$291,986.28 Expenses (\$278,336.86) Expenses (\$111,023.75) **Ending Balance** \$57,531.25 **Ending Balance** \$51,397.65 Totals as of 6/17/2025 Investment w/ LPL Financial: \$103,603.23



# <u>REMINDER:</u>

DEADLINE FOR THE
AUGUST
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLE IS
MONDAY,
JULY 21, 2025

# CHRISTIAN

# **Upcoming Christian Life Events:**

<u>July 20, 2025</u> – Coffee and Donuts on the plaza

<u>August 17, 2025</u> – Rally Day <u>September 21, 2025</u> – Potluck Lunch <u>October 26, 2025</u> – Potluck Lunch

#### **CHURCH FACILITIES NEED REPAIR:**

Council has discussed 3 main concerns that need attention. We need to have the plumbing re-piped in the educational building for approximately \$39,000. One of the AC units needs to be replaced at the church for approximately \$43,000. The buckled flooring and water-damaged carpet needs to be replaced in the chapel with a bid of \$12,147.20. If you would like



to make a donation to this project, please label your offering "AC/PLUMBING/FLOOR". Any help is greatly appreciated!



Ivann Andrew Dueser, son of George & Sonya Dueser, was baptized on May 25, 2025.

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church,

Thank you very much for the generous scholarship you owarded me. I have been very blessed to be a member of a church with Such a caring congregation. St. Paul has provided me with such a strong foundation as I begin my journey to college, I am looking forward to starting my education at Texas A &M and appreciate your support during this important time in my life. Sincerely Braden Hahn



# Dear St Paul Lutheran Church,

I want to thank everyone involved so much for the recognition, the gifts and scholarship. As first Thess aloniums states to, "Give thanks in all circum stances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus, "I wish to extend my gratitude to everyone who was involved in the senior recognition services It is my proud honor to be a part of such a gracious Consresulion Regards, , Layre Geffort



The only FFF for July will be on Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> @ Century Lanes in Victoria from 6-8pm





# 🖟 What's happening at The Learning Garden!!

#### Enrollment: 65

Class	Number of Children	Waitlist	Staff
Infants	5	1	Stacie & Leticia
Toddlers	7	0	BeVianna & Cyara
Twos	10	1	Hailey & Lily
Preschool	15	0	Brianna & Tamara
Prekindergarten	12	0	Cassandra & Megan
After School	16	0	Jasmine & Audrey

Director: Tracie Cook: Debbie S Assistant Director: Shawn Substitutes: Melissa N

Summer Helpers: Ashlie, Malayshia, & Avery

#### Curriculum:

Week of	Toddlers/Twos	Preschool	<u>Prekindergarten</u>	<u>Bible</u>
7/7/2025	Farm Animals: Horses and Cows	Favorite Tales & Rhymes: Hen Tales	Stories & Rhymes: Nursery Rhymes	Tasty Tempting Delicious Summer Snacks and Taste Jesus Feeds Friends
7/14/2025	Farm Animals: Ducks and Chickens	Favorite Tales & Rhymes: Mouse Tales	Stories & Rhymes: Traditional Tales	Sea and Ocean Animals God gave us breath!
7/21/2025	Farm Animals: Pigs and Goats	Favorite Tales & Rhymes: Tales of Three	Stories & Rhymes: Folk Tales	VBS Week
7/28/2025	Farm Animals: Sheep and Dogs	Favorite Tales & Rhymes: "Jack" Rhymes	Stories & Rhymes: Ballads and Fables	God gave us Emotions! Sad and Happy

#### Activities for the Month:

- July 3<sup>rd</sup>: Hot Dog Picnic and Water Day
- . July 4th: TLG Closed for Independence Day
- . July 8th: Cow Appreciation Day Mini Cows with the Wagner's
- July 11<sup>th</sup>: Water Day
- July 18th: Ice Cream Party
- July 21st-25th: First Responders Week (Visits from the Fire Department, Sherrif's Office, DPS, and EMS)
- July 30<sup>th</sup>: Big Time Bubbles





We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

John Dale Hurst - who passed away May 26, 2025. Services were held May 30, 2025.

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



#### In memory of Ralph Bruce Abel - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of Alton Audilet - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of Eileen Barth - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of Jay Bramlette - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of Aubrey Breed - Building

Helen Breed

#### In memory of Pastor Cordes - Building

Helen Breed

#### In memory of Ervin Friesenhahn – Building

Helen Breed

#### In memory of Israel Garcia – Records Restoration

Carlton & Sandra Bolting

# In memory of Israel Garcia - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of Junell Goehring - Building

Helen Breed

#### In memory of Carol Guzman – Records Restoration

Carlton & Sandra Bolting

# In memory of Carol Guzman - Youth Building

Mark & Betsv Weischwill

#### In memory of Joshua Hubbell - AC/Plumbing/Floor

Michael & Kim Blaschke

#### In memory of Joshua Hubbell – FFF

Helen Breed

#### In memory of Joshua Hubbell – Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

#### In memory of John Dale Hurst – AC/Plumbing/Floor

Velma Lee Moritz Jay & Sandra Heil Michael & Kim Blaschke Arlen & Kathie Fehner

#### In memory of John Dale Hurst – Building

Karen Dueser Dennis Henze Ricky & Judy Hilbrich Albert W. Metting Aaron & Erin Koopmann Carl & Sandra Matejek James & Joan Urban Billy & Wysenda Fischer Boyd & Pam Weise Eugene & Elaine Baumann

Andy & Jan Schlinke Mary Lou Gerhardt

Dianna Pfeifer Sturm Denise Schulze

Toby & Leigh Ann Kennedy & Family

# In memory of John Dale Hurst - CEM

Gail Riedesel

# In memory of John Dale Hurst – Cemetery

Sylvia & Bill Imhoff & Family

#### In memory of John Dale Hurst – FFF

Spence & Rebecca Innocenti Barbara Cramer In memory of John Dale Hurst – Landscaping

Charles & Jan Ruppert Dorothy Mayfield

#### In memory of John Dale Hurst - Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

## In memory of John Dale Hurst - Records Restoration

Carlton & Sandra Bolting Steven & Debbie Kneese In memory of John Dale Hurst - Senior Scholarship

Martha Geffert Jerry & Debbie Yount

Crystal Yount Oleta Pattillo

In memory of John Dale Hurst - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Dianna Kirchoff - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of Warren Lemke - Building

Brandon & Crystal Lemke

In memory of JoRuth Neutzler - Building

Allen Machost

In memory of JoRuth Neutzler - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of LeRoy Ruppert - Landscaping

Charles & Jan Ruppert

In memory of Gloris Seifert - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

In memory of LeRoy Strakos - Building

Helen Breed

In memory of Tillman Threadgill - Building

Charles & Jan Ruppert

**In memory of Judy Thomas** 

Oleta Pattillo

In memory of Kathy Weischwill - Youth Building

Mark & Betsy Weischwill

~Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of June 17, 2025.

Please remember to write on your OFFERING ENVELOPE a specific fund for your memorial offering to go to. It defaults to building fund unless it is noted.

# SCRIPTURE READINGS JULY 2025

# Sunday, July 6, 2025 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalm: Psalm 66:1-8

Second Lesson: Galatians 6: [1-6] 7-16

Gospel: Luke 10:1-11, 16-20



# Sunday, July 13, 2025 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost



First Lesson: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm: Psalm 25:1-9

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:1-14

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

# <u>Sunday, July 20, 2025 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</u>

First Lesson: Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm: Psalm 15

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:15-28

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42



# Sunday, July 27, 2025 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost



First Lesson: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: Psalm 138

Second Lesson: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

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