

GOOD NEWS



St. Paul Lutheran Church

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9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast 100.1 FM

Pastor: Tim W. Muehlbrad

Director of Youth & Family – Nicholas Lee

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.*



In the Apostles' Creed we say, "He ascended into heaven, and

is seated at the right hand of the Father." On May 26, forty days after Easter, we remember the Ascension of Our Lord, and it has a special meaning in our Christian lives.

The Biblical accounts of the Ascension are recorded in Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51; and Acts 1:6-11. Jesus leaves this earth, and the universe is ruled through the crucified and resurrected Christ. Christ won a decisive victory through the cross and resurrection over the forces of this world, but in the Ascension, he leaves

the world, surrendering it to itself. The final coming of God's kingdom has not yet come, thus we live in this time in between the victorious resurrection and the Second Coming. We live in a world that still contains evil and death, and yet live in a world that contains hope--the hope that comes from knowing that Christ is the final victor who rules the

universe and the hope that comes from believing that we will be a part of the final kingdom when it comes to us. As Christians living in this in between world, we are given the mission to spread the message of that hope to the world full of despair.



Sullivan

"Don't get me wrong -- I love it here. It's just that I'm a little disappointed about the harp thing being a myth."

Your Pastor,
Tim W. Muehlbrad



To my fellow Lutherans,

“So Jesus is God, but God is not Jesus?” a student asked with confusion in his voice.

“Why does the Bible end? Why are there not more books even if there are miracles today?”,

another student asked rapidly.

“And I want to know why did God create us.” There is a slight pause, “I mean has He not seen us?” The student’s disgust was clear.

All these are very profound questions your children have. And all these questions are also studied at a university level, whether that be in a philosophy class, a history class, a humanities class, or a class on the New Testament at a Christian University. These questions specifically were asked in our confirmation class by our very own students.

This tells me there is a theological curiosity among our junior high youth. As we enter the Easter season, I highly suggest that you join a Bible study. Get together with other believers and talk about these questions. I know for a fact that those junior high youth aren’t the only ones with theological or biblical questions.

As we enter the Easter season, let us remember that the Living God gave us the gift of Jesus! Jesus in turn gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit!

The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing. Psalm 34:10

Therefore, as we enter this Easter season, I encourage you to seek the Lord. Jesus is a resurrected King. One part of the Holy Trinity. God is a living being and the Holy Spirit is alive today in and around us all. Amen!

Peace,

Nicholas Lee

Family & Youth Director



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 12, 2022 – 7:00 pm

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting of the Church Council of St. Paul Lutheran Church was called to order by Clem Waskow. Council members present for the meeting were Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Clem Waskow, Boyd Weise, Bill Klaevemann, Linda Peyton, Hope Jendrzey, Cindy Parma, Cathy Moritz, Pam Hoefling, and Kristin Schustereit. Kim Hahn, Nicholas Lee, and Katie Serrano were also in attendance.
- 2) **DEVOTION** The devotion was given by Kristin Schustereit.
- 3) **MINUTES** The minutes from February 8, 2022, were approved as printed with no corrections.

4) REPORTS

- a) **Treasurer/Stewardship** – Cindy Parma made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Bill Klaevemann seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- b) **Parish Education** – Linda Hurta provided a written report: Sunday school attendance continues to improve. The children have received a Lenten Devotional color page with stickers that have daily Bible readings on them to be used during the 40 days of Lent. On April 10th (Palm Sunday), Sunday school will participate in the usual Palm procession during the church service. Also on Palm Sunday, Lori Kneese has planned a Seder meal for the elementary aged school children in the Fellowship Hall with the help of Nick Lee and the junior high youth. On April 16th (Holy Saturday), The Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Nick Lee, with the help of the junior high youth, will present the Easter story followed by the egg hunt outside. The youth will hide the eggs. Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the egg hunt.
- c) **Youth** – Linda Peyton reported:
 - 1. Inside church: Preparing for Easter; Helped host Seder meal for elementary youth; Continuing to work with TLG for Wednesday Chapel; Recruiting some parents to be on the youth board.
 - 2. Outside church: Outlaw Pass (14 youth, 6 parents)
 - 3. Future events: Bowling will be moved to a summer event; Mid Coast Services – we will

help organize their warehouse/help wherever they need us; Summer Camp – One parent and Nicholas will attend Camp Chrysalis with our elementary youth; Confirmation Camp – Nicholas will attend Camp Chrysalis with our confirmation youth.

- d) **Family/Youth Director** – Nicholas had no additions to the report.
- e) **Worship** – Boyd Weise reported: All positions have now been filled for Good Friday's readings. Boyd will check with our flower vendors to be sure we have Poinsettias and Easter Lilies for next year. He is also looking for fill-in pastors to substitute whenever Pastor is on vacation. As a reminder, the Oromo Congregation will be attending our church on June 26. The committee is wanting to make a few changes to our church service to get back to our pre-covid services.
- Communion will continue to be held each Sunday, but we will begin using the rail again on the first Sundays of each month and on Festival Days beginning in May. Communion will be done by intinction when not at the rail.
 - Passing of the peace at the end of the service will begin again.
 - Pastor will shake hands after service as congregation is leaving.
- f) **Evangelism/Outreach** – Nothing to report.
- g) **Social Concerns** – Cathy Moritz reported: No requests for assistance were received for the month of March 2022.

- h) **Christian Life** – Pam Hoefling reported: Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper was hosted on March 1, 2022, and there were approximately 40 people in attendance. The committee has also planned a potluck for May 15th and a Taco Bar for July 24th. The Christian Life Committee consists of Kristin Schustereit, Johanna Warwas, Carlea Hahn, Susan Wieland, Anna Foerster, and Pam Hoefling.
- i) **Property** – Bill Klaevemann reported the following as of January 2022:
 - 1. Spotlight installed at cemetery flagpole.
 - 2. Ceiling fan repaired in toddler room at TLG.
 - 3. Landscape committee completed flower beds at the entrance to the church.
 - 4. Waiting on bids for tile replacement in TLG.
 - 5. Received bid of \$3,500 to replace AC unit in TLG.
- j) **Cemetery** – Kristin Schustereit reported: Decoration Day is set for April 24th.
- k) **CEM** – Written report was provided.
- l) **Pastor** –
 - 1. Professional activities during March 2022 included: 19 worship services, 7 hospital visits, 6 home visits, 10 educational events, 16 church meetings and events, and 1 community event.

5) **OLD BUSINESS**

- a) **Parking Lot Pavement** – We have received three bids for parking lot asphalt hot mix pavement but are waiting on a fourth bid. Curbing was recommended on the north side of the parking lot, where the grass grows. Bill has received a bid for \$3,800 to have this curbing completed. Boyd Weise made a motion to go forward with the

installation of curbing along the north side of the main parking lot with the bid for \$3,800. Hope Jendrzey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6) **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) **NALC Online Convocation Delegates** – This year's event will be online. We aren't sure how many delegates we will need to attend, but we will need delegates to attend in order for us to vote. The convocation will be held August 5th at 6:00pm, and August 6th at 4:00pm.
- b) **Cemetery Records** – Kristin Schustereit presented information about Chronicle, a company that specializes in digitizing cemeteries. She presented a proposal which outlined the cost: \$500 for surveying and mapping, \$3,600 for creating a digital cemetery, and \$240/year for Chronicle software license. Bill Klaevemann made a motion for Kristin to move forward with Chronicle to digitize the St. Paul Lutheran Church Cemetery. Hope Jendrzey seconded the motion. The motion carried. Boyd Weise volunteered to help by attending online training with Kristin.
- c) **150th Anniversary Budget** - Plans are in the works for a celebration. The event will be held October 30th, 2022. The committee will meet again on May 10th at 10:00am. Anyone interested is invited to attend.
- d) **Oromo Gifts** – Boyd Weise made a motion to send \$150,000 to the Oromo Church, with funds exclusively from 2022. Bill Klaevemann seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- e) **Graduate Scholarships** – As the cost of college continues to steadily rise, our scholarship has not

followed suit. The Scholarship committee recommends to increase the amount. The current scholarship amount is \$1,200. No action taken at this time.

- f) **Parish Ed Council Position** – Linda Hurta has made a verbal announcement to resign from her position as Parish Education chairperson. Kim Hahn attended the meeting to speak about the concerns of the Sunday School teachers as to who will be conducting the opening for Sunday School. She suggested perhaps Nicholas could step in to have the opening for all youth, first grade and up. We need a volunteer to fill in for the Parish Education Council position. Please prayerfully consider.
- g) **Handicap Ramps** – Bill Klaevemann received a bid for \$3,600 to build a concrete ramp in front of the church and to concrete the area currently covered by asphalt under the awning at the entrance to the Educational Building. Boyd Weise made a motion to move forward with the concrete work for \$3,600 to construct a concrete ramp in front of the church and to concrete the area currently covered by asphalt under the awning at the entrance to the Educational Building. Pam Hoefling seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- 7) **CLOSING** – Pam Hoefling made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill Klaevemann seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Schustereit

2022 COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT – Clemens Waskow

SECRETARY – Kristin Schustereit

PARISH ED – Linda Hurta

STEWARDSHIP – Cindy Parma

WORSHIP – Boyd Weise

CHRISTIAN LIFE – Pam Hoefling

PROPERTY – Bill Klaevemann

SOCIAL CONCERNS – Cathy Moritz

YOUTH – Linda Peyton

EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Hope Jendrzej

Financial Report

| GENERAL FUND | | YTD 2022 | BUILDING FUND | | YTD 2022 |
|--------------------------|--|-------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------|
| Beginning Balance | | 44,295.10 | Beginning Balance | | 33,153.48 |
| Income | | 282,681.44 | Income | | 28,612.14 |
| Expenses | | (270,343.29) | Expenses | | (58,126.41) |
| Ending Balance | | 56,633.25 | Ending Balance | | 3,639.21 |
| Investment | | 137,674.73 | Totals as of 4/18/2022 | | |
| TOTAL | | 194,307.98 | | | |

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R E M I N D E R:
DEADLINE FOR THE
May
NEWSLETTER
ARTICLE IS



Monday,
May 16, 2022



VBS will be held July 11-15, 2022 from 9-12 pm. More details to come later. We are always looking for volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please call Tina Boehm a call at 361-491-1625.

Cradle workshop is on summer break and will resume again in August.



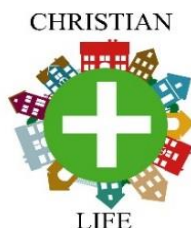


SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY will be held on May 15, 2022. It is a special day as we celebrate with our young people who are graduating from high school this year.

Those graduating are:

Caylen Boehm, Brooklyn Corpus, Macey Hahn, Lea Medina, Aubree Ruppert, Emagen Styra, and Brooke Turner

Please join us for a potluck lunch on May 15th after Sunday School at 11:30 am in the fellowship hall.



Alachi Ace Almager-Garcia
child of
Emma Muniz and Chris Garcia
was baptized on
April 9, 2022.

BRING YOUR CALENDARS:

Tuesday, May 24th, 6:30 PM, all parents are needed to help set the Fall 2022 - Spring 2023 event schedule. We are meeting in the fellowship hall. Food will be provided. Meeting starts at 6:30 PM.





Oromo Evangelical Church of Houston, TX

Mark Your Calendars!

The Oromo Lutheran Church of Houston will be here on June 26 to be with us in worship and will be preparing a meal of traditional Ethiopian food after worship.



Cole Wyatt Kirchoff
child of
Dustin and Kelsey Kirchoff
was baptized on
April 17, 2022.





OROMO EVANGELICAL CHURCH OF HOUSTON TEXAS

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April 18, 2022
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On behalf of the Oromo Evangelical Church of Houston, I would like to sincerely thank you and thank your congregations for your time, efforts and donations. Your donations of \$ 100,000, which we received on April 03, 2022, will be help us to pay the remaining balance of the land year before the due date of May 28, 2023 and help us to do the building architects. We are honored that you would bless us with your generosity.

St Paul Lutheran Church have been so generous to us over the years and we are so grateful for the opportunity to share this journey with you. Your financial, moral and prayer support has encouraged us to move forward with our vision of church building.

I personally don't have enough words to thank St Paul Lutheran Church council, Pastor and entire congregation for what you have done for us. In the midst of our dark circumstances, you have become our ray of hope. Please continue to pray for us as we are heading toward to our next face.

May the Lord bless you and your ministry!

Kamiso Boru, Pastor
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A Mother's Day hymn

Sing praise to our Creator God!
Earth prospers from the way
God “mothers” each new child into
This world day after day.

God fabricates in motherhood
A channel from above
That longs to share with every child
God's comfort, grace and love!

Sing praise to our Creator God,
Who “mothers” us from birth!
Providing what we truly need
Throughout our lives on earth.

—Peggy Ferrell



In preparing for our 150th anniversary celebration, we are asking for your help! We are needing our past Pastors' and Interns' addresses or phone numbers. We would like to extend an invitation to these individuals. Please contact Bill

Klaevemann or the church office with the information. Any help is appreciated.

John Wesley Schmedthorst, Jr.
child of
John Wesley and Caitlin Schmedthorst
was baptized on
April 17, 2022.

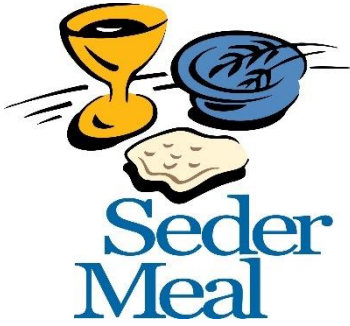


The Children's Music Ministry and the Chime Ringers will not be meeting during the months of June, July, and August. Rehearsals will resume the Wednesday after Labor Day. To all members of these groups have a safe and refreshing holiday season.



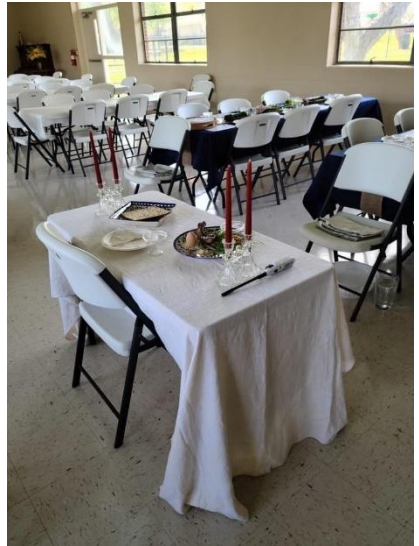
The Youth enjoyed a fun filled afternoon at outlaw pass.
Thank you so much, parents, for bringing your children
to have fun with us!

– Linda P. and Nick

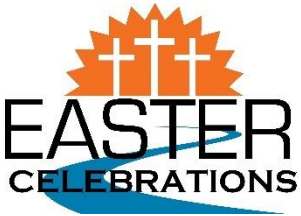


A Taste of the Seder

On April 10th, the Sunday School classes met in the fellowship hall to learn about the traditional Passover Seder Meal celebrated by the Jewish people and how it relates to our faith as Christians. Traditional Seder foods were provided.











What's happening at The Learning Garden!!

God could not be everywhere,
and therefore he made Mothers!
Happy Mother's Day from
The Learning Garden!



All of us at The Learning Garden ask that you lift our Prekindergarten Teacher Mrs. Donna up in your prayers. She is out the remainder of the school year and hopes to return in the Fall.

Heavenly Father,
Be with all cancer fighters. Empower them with hope for each & every day. Surround them with loving care, laughter & support. Grant them Your complete healing!
Amen.

Summer/Fall Enrollment 2022:

Starting May 1st, we are accepting new student enrollment. Contact Tracie in the office 564-9444 if you would like to enroll your child or children.

Prekindergarten Program and Graduation:

May 12th @ 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall will be our Prekindergarten Program and Graduation. If you have nothing planned that evening, we would love to see you there. All 7 will perform and then 6 are graduating.

Save the dates:

- July 23rd – 31st: Scholastic Book Fair held here at the center.
- July 30th: TLG Summer Fest-More information to come!!

Enrollment:

| Class | Currently Enrolled | Wait list | Available Spots | Teachers |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---|
| Infants | 4 | 3 | 4 | 2 ~ Full Time (Taylor Beckham & Destiny Sims) |
| Toddlers | 12 | 0 | 1 | 3~ Full Time (Samantha Daulley, Cyara Valdez, & Emily Julian) (1 Part Time) (Brianna Guerra) |
| Twos | 12 | 2 | 3 | 3 ~ Full Time (Megan Valdez, Amy Rodriguez, & Denise Fortenberry) |
| Preschool (3 yr. old's) | 12 | 0 | 3 | 3 ~ Full Time (Megan Fielding, Cathy Morehead, & Anndrea Wolf) |
| Pre-kind (4 & 5 yr. old's) | 7 | 0 | 8 | 1 ~ Full Time (Cassandra Slade) 1 ~ Part Time (Destiny Felan) |
| After School | 8 | 0 | 2 | 1 ~ Part Time (Paige Cunningham) |
| Total | 55 | 5 | 21 | Last Year at this time we had 60 Children Enrolled |

Staff:

Director: Tracie Fielding

Assistant Director: Shawn Williams

Cook: Estela Sierra

Housekeeping: Elida Cruz

Substitutes ~ Virginia Naranjo & Leticia Pena

Donna plans to return in the Fall to teach the Prekindergarten Class.

Estella will be retiring in June.

Samantha will be taking on the cook position.

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.



CELEBRATION OF EASTER

In celebration of the birth of my great-grandchild: Scarlett Kathryn Suelflow – Building

Kay Mueller

In celebration of the marriage between Dr. Roberta and Dr. Joshua Suelflow – Building

Kay Mueller

In honor of our Grandkids – Oromo Mission Fund

Calvin & Beverly Bruns

In honor of my great-grandchildren – Building

Wiona Metting

MEMORIALS

In memory of Marvin Schulze – Building

Toby, Leigh Ann, Mitchell, and Brayden Kennedy
Katie and Landry Williams

In memory of Liebert & Elenora Schulze - Building

Toby, Leigh Ann, Mitchell, and Brayden Kennedy
Katie and Landry Williams

In memory of Gordon & Isabella Barrett - Building

Toby, Leigh Ann, Mitchell, and Brayden Kennedy
Katie and Landry Williams



We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:

JoAnn Young – who passed away March 24, 2022. Services were held March 31, 2022.

David Metting – who passed away April 3, 2022. Services were held April 7, 2022.

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



In memory of JoAnn Young – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of JoAnn Young – Building

Aaron & Erin Koopmann

Carl & Sharon Matejek

Cynthia Strait

In memory of JoAnn Young – Oromo Mission Fund

Jay & Sandra Heil

John Dale Hurst

Velma Lee Moritz

In memory of Jane Mueller – Oromo Mission Fund

Harvey Mueller

In memory of Alice Deason – Oromo Mission Fund

Ronnie Afflerbach

In memory of Alice Deason – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of Bettie Ann Northam – Building

Mary Hilbrich

Ruby Warzecha

In memory of Curtis Bethke – Building

Renae Pierce

In memory of Curtis Bethke – Oromo Mission Fund

Helen Breed

In memory of Eleonora Rohan – Building

Renae Pierce

In memory of Lola Teschendorf – Building

Renae Pierce

In memory of Lola Teschendorf – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of Frieda Kyrisch – Oromo Mission Fund

Helen Breed

In memory of Marvin Koopmann – Oromo Mission Fund

Ronnie Afflerbach

Helen Breed

In memory of Marvin Koopmann – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of Junell Buendel Goehring – Oromo Mission Fund

Helen Breed

In memory of Morris Kerlick – Oromo Mission Fund

Ronnie Afflerbach

In memory of Morris Kerlick – Building

Renae Pierce

In memory of Philip Hoefling – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of Sammie & Bennie Jr. Kyrisch – Building

Helen Breed

In memory of Richard Boerm – Building

Billie Blaschke

In memory of Bille Jean Saunders – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of Darwyn Duderstadt – Cemetery

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of David Metting – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of David Metting – CEM

Mallie Stanchos

In memory of David Metting – Cemetery

David & Patsy Ibrom

Jim & Judy Noster

In memory of David Metting – Oromo Mission Fund

Arlen & Kathie Fehner

Calvin & Beverly Bruns

In memory of David Metting – Building

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Dorothy Mayfield | Clay & Robin Caran |
| Michael & Kim Blaschke | Arlen & Cindy Parma |
| Ricky & Judy Hilbrich | Barbara Mueller |
| Lance and Kari Mueller & Ryan | Laurie Barfield |
| Billie Blaschke | Jerome & Rose Respondek |
| Dwight and LeAnn Janer & Family | James & Brenda Nash |
| Steven & Gay Hobbs | Thomas & Bonnie Stepanski |
| Randy & Sharon Franke | Cheryl Schwab |
| Eugene Ibrom | Melissa Stolle & Sons |
| Iona Buchhorn | Martha Geffert |
| Caroline M. Blain | Renae Pierce |
| Betsy Schulze | Sherry Metting |
| Ann Adix | Ricky & Judy Hilbrich |
| Bill & Debbie Niemeier | Carlton & Sandra Bolting |
| Toby and Leigh Ann Kennedy & Family | |

~Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of April 18, 2022.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

MAY 2022

Sunday, May 1, 2022 – Third Sunday of Easter



First Lesson: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

Psalm: Psalm 30

Second Lesson: Revelation 5:11-14

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Sunday, May 8, 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 9:36-43

Psalm: Psalm 23

Second Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17

Gospel: John 10:22-30



Sunday, May 15, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Easter



First Lesson: Acts 11:1-18

Psalm: Psalm 148

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6

Gospel: John 13:31-35

Sunday, May 22, 2022 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 16:9-15

Psalm: Psalm 67

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Gospel: John 14:23-29



Sunday, May 29, 2022 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Lesson: Acts 16:16-34

Psalm: Psalm 97

Second Lesson: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

Gospel: John 17:20-26



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