

# Family Newsletter

## VALENTINE'S DINNER AND

## SILENT AUCTION

Hosted St. Paul's Youth Group



Tickets are \$20 per person or \$100 for a table of six. Purchase tickets by Monday, Feb. 4. The money raised from this fundraiser will go toward our youth attending the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this July. For more information, contact Shannon at [shannonkporter@gmail.com](mailto:shannonkporter@gmail.com).

# Pastor's Page



## Love Our Neighbors as Ourselves

Maybe it was a long, long, time ago, but many of you probably still remember that, in your confirmation class, your teacher taught you that the Ten Commandments could be divided into two tables: 1-3, which talk about the relationship between God and us; and 4-10, talk about others and us.

Also, “love” is the word that summarizes all the Commandments. However, how do we apply all this in our daily lives?

One time, a lawyer asked Jesus a question to test Him. “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” And He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” (Matthew 22:35–39)

So, to follow the first table, we pray to God, have daily devotions, come to church for worship, and join Bible studies. But how about the second table: love our neighbor as ourselves? How do we do that not just in words?

We are to care for the spiritual and physical needs of the people around us.

For their spiritual needs, we need to tell them about Jesus. His love and death on the cross for us, so that whoever believes in Him, their sins are forgiven, and they can have the gift of eternal life.

For their physical needs, we are to use the resources God has put under our trust – time, talents and treasures, to share our love. Jesus at many places taught His hearers that love and actions go side by side. Remember in the parable of the Good Samaritan, we are taught to care for those in need. In teaching about the Final judgement, Jesus said, “When we show our love to one of the least of those brothers in need, we do it to Him.”

As a family of Christ here at St. Paul’s, we want to love our neighbor as ourselves. However, the biggest challenge for us today is, with so many scams and frauds going around in our society, which channel or means shall we use to show our love to our neighbors.

At one of the Evangelism Committee weekly meetings, the members talked about all the opportunities we have at St. Paul’s to reach out to our communities in 2019. We are glad to see that more than one group at St. Paul’s are showing their love for our neighbors in action. They deserve our promotions and recognitions. Let me share with you what I have learned which you can find on **page 11** of our newsletter.

If I miss anything, please let me know. I will update the list right away, so that you can join our outreach opportunities to our neighbors.

Blessings, Pastor Kenny

# Youth and Young Adult Events

It's February and love is in the air! Speaking of which, we have our Second Annual Valentine's Dinner and Auction. As I write this, we only have a few tables left so if you want tickets call me ASAP! Also, if you would like to donate items for the silent auction let me know! The theme is *Night on The Town* and the plans we have for it will blow you away! This event will help our eight youth go to Minneapolis for the National Youth Gathering, and help sponsor other events throughout the year.

Last month we went to a Musketeers Hockey Game and we had over 60 people attended from families, to youth, to children! Even though the Muskies lost, we had a great time in fellowship, and the youth had fun playing ice broomball with the players after!

On February 2nd the youth will go to Cone Park for tubing and ice skating! It was a great event last year and this year with ice skating included it is sure to be a great time!

Here are some Valentine's Day activities the whole family can enjoy!  
Blessings, Shannon

## M&M Valentine's Day Cookie Bar

### Ingredients

- 2 sticks of butter at room temperature
- 1 cup of granulated sugar
- 1 cup of firmly packed brown sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 1/2 tsps. of vanilla extract
- 3 cups of all purpose flour
- 3/4 tsp. of baking soda
- 3/4 tsp. of salt
- 1 1/2 cups of valentine's M&M's
- 1 cup of mini chocolate chip

### Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a 9x13-inch baking dish with foil, leave some overhang to make removal easier. Spray foil generously with non-stick cooking spray.

In a bowl, mix together butter, sugar, and brown sugar, until fluffy. Mix in eggs and vanilla.

Add flour, baking soda, and salt and mix until smooth. Add M&M's and mini chocolate chips and give a final stir, reserving some M&M's and chocolate chips for topping cookie bars.

Put mixture into prepared baking dish; press additional M&M's and chocolate chips into top of cookie dough. Bake 35 to 40 minutes on lower rack of oven to prevent browning.

Let cool completely, cut and enjoy!!

## Acolytes for February



DATE	6 p.m. Saturday	8:15 a.m. Sunday	10:45 a.m. Sunday
Feb. 2-3	Marla Anderson	Reagan Granstrom	Ava Hannemann
Feb. 9-10	Charlotte Coleman Elijah Coleman	Avery Petersen	Emerson Sulzbach
Feb. 16-17	Carter Sulzbach	Jacey Kennedy	Noah Swearingen
Feb. 23-24	Marla Anderson		Sara Sparr Emma Sparr



Fellow Workers in Christ,

Happy Valentine's Day! God's love is GREAT!!!  
Don't forget to read the love chapter, 1 Corinthians 13, with your family.  
"Now faith, hope and love abide, but the greatest of these is love."

1 Cor. 13:13

Don't forget... *For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.* John 3:16

February is short and full of activities. We are getting ready for Preschool & Kindergarten Roundup. Thank you for your help in getting the word out!

Please, put these dates on your calendar:

**Feb. 4-8:** IOWA ASSESSMENTS!!! Get plenty of rest!

**Feb. 10:** 5:30 PM Pizza Potluck/6:00 PM meeting – PTL Meeting in Lunchroom/Movie in Kindergarten room for kids)

**Feb. 14:** Valentine's Parties!!! (1:30 PM in the classrooms) \*\*Let your child's teacher know how you can help. If you work, offer to send a treat or paper products.

**Feb. 25:** No school

**Feb. 28:** Preschool & Kindergarten Roundup/ Gym (Open House 4:30-7:30 p.m./ Presentation for parents & activity for children at 6:30 PM)

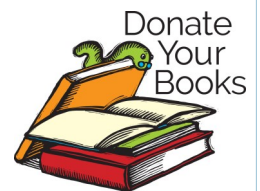
**March 3:** Waffle Brunch, Bake Sale & Book Fair (8:00 AM – 1:00 PM)/Gym

**March 9:** Flea Market/Craft Fair (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM) Gym/Children sing at 11:00 AM

Please, start collecting items for the Flea Market... Slightly used clothes, household items, antiques, small furniture and white elephant items. If you have a craft and want to open a booth, let Candace Leff know. You may leave items for the Flea Market on the stage.

We will need lots of help with the parties, Book Fair, and Waffle Brunch, Bake Sale and Flea Market. Let me know what you would like to help with and I will direct you to the right person. Thank you for your help. God's blessings.

St. Paul's School is collecting slightly used children's books for our new Lending Library that will be in front of the school for all to use. We hope these books will be a blessing to the neighborhood & will get some to recognize the opportunity that we have for Christian education. Thanks to Eric Sherman and the PTL for time and money donated. There will be a box by the trophy case for books.

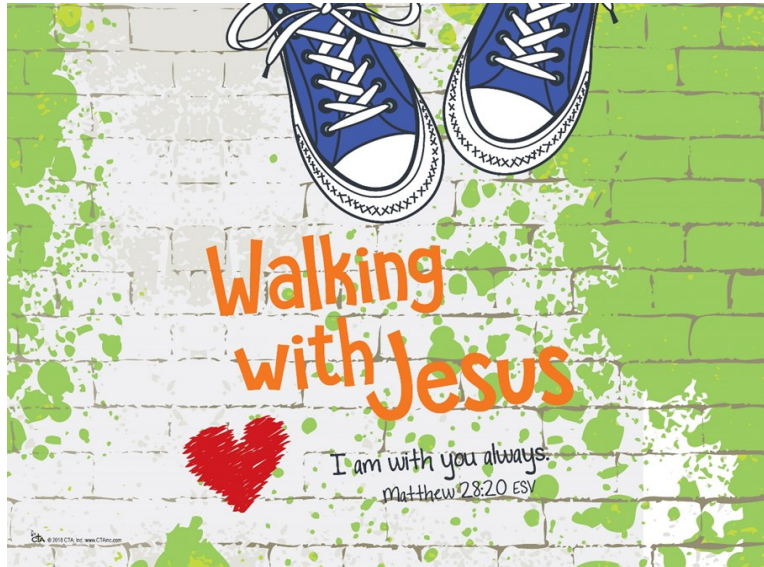


Faith, Hope, Love and Joy in Jesus,  
Alyce Strong Davis

**Support our school with Scrip!** How it works ... You buy gift cards from the school, and the school earns money. If an order was placed on Friday, Feb. 1, it may be picked up Friday, Feb. 8. We also carry a variety of cards in the office. To order, call Sarah Gunn at (712) 223-1238 or stop in the church office. Scrip is a year-long fundraising program that supports St. Paul's Lutheran School and its families. Scrip cards are simply purchased for everyday expenses, such as food, clothing, gifts, gas, etc. To order go to [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) or stop in the office.

SCRIP

# Preschool/Kindergarten Roundup



*Open House from 4:30 to 7:30 PM  
with a presentation at 6:30  
Thursday, February 28  
St. Paul's Lutheran School Gym  
(612 Jennings St.)*

## **St. Paul's Lutheran School Annual Fund Drive**

As of Jan. 2, 2019, the total dollars given to our annual fund drive is \$65,322. With God's help and the dedicated giving of our faithful supporters, we have surpassed our goal. We thank God for His many blessings and for His people's continual support for St. Paul's Lutheran School. Now as we move forward to do His work, we ask God to bless all of our efforts to serve Him, His kingdom and His children. Thank you! — Serving Him, Lon Stuhr

## **Hy-Vee Receipts Program**

Please save and turn in your Hy-Vee receipts (also includes prescription receipts but excludes receipts on gas and stamps) dated now through April 28. Drop-offs are located in the office and in the church or can be sent in with St. Paul's students. All receipts must be from the Sioux City or South Sioux City Hy-Vee's or the Hy-Vee Mainstreet Store. Thanks for your support of St. Paul's Lutheran School. Keep up the good work!

**HY-VEE  
RECEIPTS**



# FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Feb. 06	Kenneth & Veronica Windle	42 Years
Feb. 11	Jon & Lori Sulzbach	24 Years
Feb. 13	Michael & Carolyn Montagne	50 Years
Feb. 14	Gilbert & Jo Ellen Nelson	49 Years
Feb. 14	Gene & Bonnie Marks	29 Years
Feb. 14	Dave & Yesenia Stevenson	3 Years
Feb. 16	Patrick & Shirley McCormick	40 Years
Feb. 20	Chad & Sonia Reekers	3 Years

*(If you see any discrepancy in names, day or years in our birthday or anniversary list, please let the church office know, so we may update our records.)*

## LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES FEBRUARY PROJECT



### Baby Bottle Campaign

Our **CHANGE** can make a difference for life. By participating in the Baby Bottle Campaign we can help **Her Health Women's Center** provide confidential and caring services at no charge for anyone in Siouxland facing an unintended pregnancy.

As a family of God here at St. Paul's, let's join **Her Health Women's Center's Baby Bottle Campaign** by picking up a bottle and filling it with coins, cash or a check. Just 4 or 5 bottles filled with change will help provide one client with a free pregnancy test, an ultrasound, a listening ear, accurate information and life-affirming options.

Baby bottles may be picked up in the narthex of the church or in the church office.

For more information, contact Brandi in the church office. The campaign will run all of February. Bottles can be returned to the church or church office anytime before March 5.

The mission of **Her Health Women's Center** is to honor Jesus Christ by erasing the demand for abortion through effectively serving pregnant, at-risk women while empowering them to make healthy, informed and livable choices.

# February

## BIRTHDAYS

### **Feb. 1**

Klint Bock  
Aiden Bruns  
Ethan Bruns  
Tristan Bruns

### **Feb. 2**

Phillip D. Hageman  
Karen Hansen

### **Feb. 3**

Dorene Christiansen

### **Feb. 4**

Lyla Holland  
Kiley Olson

### **Feb. 5**

Abby Carney  
Jeannie Boisen

### **Feb. 7**

Tim Bratvold, Sr.  
Sue Everton

### **Feb. 8**

Ricky Knutson  
Alex McFarland

### **Feb. 9**

Nick Wingert

### **Feb. 10**

Michael Spahn

### **Feb. 11**

KC Jager

### **Feb. 12**

Lincoln Larsen

### **Feb. 13**

Perry Bochmann  
Matthew Hult  
Gabrielle Wagner

### **Feb. 14**

Connie Brown  
Alicia Elliott  
Justin Mahaney

### **Feb. 15**

Paula Dodds  
Laura Holland  
Angela Piklapp  
Lisa Wiese  
Brenda Cason

### **Feb. 16**

Mike Popken  
Parker Blanford

### **Feb. 17**

Jessica Rasmussen  
Stormy Ferris  
Sonia Reekers

### **Feb. 18**

Lila Thorp  
Josh Gardner  
Dominick Stevenson

### **Feb. 19**

Mark Treft  
Chris Sulzbach  
Nathalia Young

### **Feb. 20**

LaVonne Harwood  
Nick Gunn  
Steve McKay

### **Feb. 21**

Reann Merrill  
Gary Munson  
Kelly Siefker  
Ava Wilkinson

### **Feb. 22**

Jerry Kroeger  
Tyler McBride

### **Feb. 23**

Jody Taylor  
Augie Ramirez  
Mabel Huldeen  
Rick Rise  
Kelsey Dodds

### **Feb. 24**

Sherry Welte  
Kaelyn Herfel

### **Feb. 25**

Carl Domsch  
Bishop Hilden

### **Feb. 26**

Connie Dodds  
Marian Schuldt

### **Feb. 28**

Pat Berger-Conlon

## Notes from St. Paul's

### **Blood Pressures**

9:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, in the back of the church.

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### **Voter's Meeting**

2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, in the church.

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### **Evangelism**



Happy Valentine Day to all of you. God is Love. Everyone wants to be loved. As God's Children, it is our job to show our neighbors love and to the world. It doesn't take much effort. A "hello" to a stranger, a smile, or someone in need, to ask if you can help. And of all else PRAY for those who need God and to tell them about Jesus.

Evangelist Marlis Hilden

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### **Fall Term Honoree**

Amanda Segebart has been named to the Term Honors List at Concordia University for the fall semester of the 2018-19 academic year. This distinction places her in the top 25 percent of the student body based on her GPA and witnesses to her faithful stewardship of God's gifts.

Congratulations, Amanda

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### **Main Street Living — Local Lutheran Worship**

"This is the Life," followed by Lutheran Worship Service, led by local LCMS pastors.

10 a.m. Sunday mornings on KCAU Channel 9.

(Check your local cable listing for the channel in your area)

Watch these programs on demand at [mainstreetliving.com](http://mainstreetliving.com).

Comments and financial support may be sent to: 2113 Ridge Road, Sioux Center, Iowa 51250.

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### **Mercy Meals of Siouxland**

Regular packaging events will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at Faith Lutheran Church. For more information, contact Larry Joines at (712) 258-0808.

Mercy Meals relies on the generosity of donors to purchase materials and supplies to provide rice/soy meals and the Gospel to hungry and starving children in the U.S. and worldwide.

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### **Ash Wednesday Services**

The Lenten Season will soon be here.

Ash Wednesday will be March 6, with services at 12:15 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Plan to join us at St. Paul's!!!!

### **Young at Heart Club**

"Young At Heart Club" will meet after the late service in the church basement "fellowship hall" Sunday, Feb. 17, after the late service for a "potluck" noon meal. Bring your favorite potluck dish and join us for a great meal and fellowship. — The Committee



# Mission News

## Hispanic Ministry in South Sioux City, Neb.

The leadership of Hope Lutheran Church at South Sioux City, takes the lead in reaching out to the Hispanic people that God is sending to South Sioux City and Sioux City.

Under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Michael Awe, Senior Pastor of Hope Lutheran Church in South Sioux City, a special new outreach to the Hispanic population has been established. Assisting in this effort is Veteran Missionary Rev. Henry Witte, who served so faithfully many years in Venezuela and Panama. Rev. Witte understands the culture and speaks the heart language of the Hispanic people.

This new effort has been established as a result of the combined efforts of the Nebraska District and the Iowa District West. This new project is one that Mission Central is involved in and has a special Adoption Agreement for the assistance and support of this new effort. We need prayers for this effort and support to keep this outreach going.

## Note from Rev. Shauen and Krista Trump

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Paul's.

Greetings in Christ from Nairobi, Kenya. Thank you for your generous support of this great work. We greatly appreciate walking with you in His Kingdom. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and support — The Trump Family

## Beckendorf Update

I know we are way into 2019 already, but we still wish you God's richest blessings in the new year.

One reason this update is a little late is that I wanted to update you after Tim's doctor appointment on the 9th. As of that appointment Tim is now cleared for travel back to Botswana. There is one more x-ray that needs to be done the end of this month, but we will be able to leave after that.

As of right now we are thinking of being back the first part of February, we'll see how airline tickets work out. In the meantime, Tim is continuing therapy, doing exercises, and is continuing to improve bit by bit. The boys and I are continuing to homeschool as much as we can.

Please continue to pray for our translation team. They have each been under spiritual attacks, off and on, for many years now, and it is wearying. Please pray that God would guard and keep each of these men -- and their families -- from the evil plans of our enemy, the devil. Our translators have been under so much stress lately and they really need time to rest and recuperate.

### **Prayers:**

- \* Please pray that the team would continue to be diligent in their translation work.
- \* Please pray that the translation team would be protected against spiritual attack.
- \* Please pray for wise planning in returning to Botswana.

Thank you again for all of your prayers on our behalf. — Tim, Lisa, Aaron & Andrew Beckendorf

## **Support Our Missionaries**

- Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump ([www.TheTrumps.org](http://www.TheTrumps.org))
- Rev. Charles & Connie Cortright ([charles.cortright@lcmsintl.org](mailto:charles.cortright@lcmsintl.org))
- Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf ([tbeckendorf@LBT.org](mailto:tbeckendorf@LBT.org))
- Rev. Henry & Ruthie Witte

# February 2019

**Sun**      **Mon**      **Tue**      **Wed**      **Thu**      **Fri**      **Sat**

<b>3</b> 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 9:45 a.m. Laminin LYF 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion Elders Meeting (after late service) 5 p.m. Fellowship Club Super Bowl Party, Pastor's home	<b>4</b> Education Hour: A high school Bible Study, one adult Bible Study, Praise Team, and Sunday School, all at 9:30 a.m.	<b>5</b> 6 p.m. Youth Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Parish Planning Meeting	<b>6</b> 9:30 a.m. Lamplighters at Redeemer Lutheran 5 p.m. Confirmation	<b>7</b> 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 1 p.m. Women's League 5:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 6 p.m. Worship 7 p.m. Valentine Dinner & Auction
<b>10</b> 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 Blood Pressures 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 9:45 a.m. Laminin LYF 10:45 a.m. Worship 2 p.m. Voter's Meeting	<b>11</b> 9 a.m. Sewing 6:30 p.m. Trustees Mtg.	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 4 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice 5 p.m. Confirmation	<b>14</b> 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8 a.m. Praise Team Practice 6 p.m. Worship/ Communion
<b>17</b> 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 9:45 a.m. Laminin LYF 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion Noon, Young at Heart Club	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 4 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice 5 p.m. Confirmation	<b>21</b> 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 5:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 6 p.m. Worship
<b>24</b> 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 9:45 a.m. Laminin LYF 10:45 a.m. Worship Friends of Christ Club	<b>25</b> 9 a.m. Sewing No school	<b>26</b> 7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting	<b>27</b> 4 p.m. Handbell Choir Practice 5 p.m. Confirmation 6:30 p.m. Sunday School Meeting	<b>28</b> 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall PreSchool/Kindergarten RoundUp (open house from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. with presentation at 6:30 p.m.)		

# LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES

## 2019 Outreach Opportunities at St. Paul's

Month	Events	Dates	Group
January	Women's Shelter	Month of January	St. Paul's School
	Lamplighters		
February	Her Health	Month of February	Social Concern
	Soup Kitchen	Feb. 25 & 26	
	Lamplighters		
March	Lamplighters		
April	Easter Egg Hunt	April 13	Fellowship Club
	Lamplighters		
May	Soles 4 Souls	Month of May	Social Concern
	Lamplighters		
June	Block Party	June 2	Evangelism Committee
	V.B.S.	June 3-7	Sunday School
	Lamplighters		
August	Soup Kitchen	Aug. 26 & 27	
	Lamplighters		
September	Moving on baskets for CSADV	Month of September	Social Concern
	Friendship Sunday	Sept. 22	Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters		
October	Trunk & Treat	Oct. 20 or 27	Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters		
November	Dried food for Gospel Mission	Month of November	Social Concern
	Soup Kitchen	Nov. 25 & 26	
	Lamplighters		
December	Mittens & Hats for Women's Shelter	Month of December	St. Paul's School
	Lamplighters		



**Servants for the Month of February**

**Altar Guild:**  
Brenda Cason  
Marlis Hilden

**Elders:**

**Sat., 6:00 p.m.:** Randy Johnson  
**Sun., 8:15 a.m.:** Dennis Hageman &  
Daryl Heimgartner  
**Sun., 10:45 a.m.:** Don Lantis &  
Frank Tenuta

**Ushers for February**

02/03	1st Service	Dallas Schulz Team
	2nd Service	Mike Popken Team
02/10	1st Service	Jack Smith Team
	2nd Service	Bob Milbrodt Team
02/17	1st Service	Jack Smith Team
	2nd Service	Jack Smith Team
02/24	1st Service	Tim Draube Team
	2nd Service	Bill Hanna Team



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