

Family Newsletter



Worship Schedule for the Summer

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST. PAUL'S

Summer Worship Services will be every Monday, beginning June 24 at 6 p.m. If you were unable to join us over the previous weekend or just want to attend the service again, please join us for the Monday Evening Worship Service.



Dr. Alicia Lynn Elliott, daughter of Gene and Connie Elliott, will complete her residency training on June 30, 2019. This signifies the end of her medical training to become a Psychiatrist. She will be working at an outpatient clinic in Fargo, N.D.

Gabriel Hannemann, son of Christopher and Elizabeth Hannemann, graduated from Sergeant Bluff-Luton High School. He will be attending Iowa State University in the fall.

Mary Larsen, daughter of Erik and Linda Larsen, graduated magna cum laude from Briar Cliff University with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration.

Amanda Segebart, daughter of Steve and Joyce Segebart, graduated from Concordia University, Seward, Neb. She received a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Christian Education Leadership and Theology. She will be interning at Bethany Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Todd Siefker graduates from Morningside College on June 8 with a Master's in Education. Todd is a teacher and coach at West High School in Sioux City.

Pastor's Page



A few months back, during the week, a lady came to the church office wanting to talk to a pastor. So, I asked her, "Ma'am, how can we help you?"

"I am a victim of domestic violence." She started her story, "I left my house and used all my money to book a room in a hotel in South Sioux for a month. Now, I ran out of money and I have to walk wherever I go. I'm hungry but I can't afford to buy food."

"Ma'am," I interrupted her, "did you just say you are a victim of domestic violence? Do you know you can go to the Women's Shelter in town? They can give you all kinds of help."

"Yes, I've done that, but I used up all my money for the hotel room. Now, I have nothing left for anything else. I need help for food and transportation. I am so tired and..."

"Ma'am," once again I stopped her, "Why did you pay for a room in the hotel for a month? Have you been to the Women's Shelter yet? They can provide many things you need."

"Yes, I've done that already. But I put all the money to a hotel room...." She kept on going with her story.

At this moment, I was thinking, "I'm not sure she's telling the truth. She hasn't been to the Women's Shelter. They wouldn't tell her to stay in a hotel for a month. The story just doesn't add up. Either she is making up the story or she is not open to any other advices, but insists on her way to solve her issue."

So, I tried to stop her again and said, "Ma'am, I am trying to point you in the right direction so that you can get the proper assistance. You need to go to the Women's Shelter."

"I've done that, but I used up all my money for the hotel room..."

Finally, I had to say to her in a firm tone, "Ma'am, I am trying to help you here, but you are not listening. I am not sure how we can help you here."

As I expected, she wasn't pleased with my response and left with disappointment and anger. After she left, I was in my office for a while contemplating on what had just happened.

I felt sad for the lady. However, I had no way to verify her story. If she was a victim of domestic violence as she claimed to be, the Women's Shelter could provide the help she needed. However, because she was insisting on her own way, she wouldn't stop to find out the right direction to go. That has put her in an unnecessary disadvantageous situation.

But it is easier for us to judge other people than ourselves, doesn't it! Haven't we all done the same thing from time to time? When we are in bad or challenging situations, we bury our head and cover our ears so that we can try to dig our own way out of troubles. Or because of our own pride and our stubbornness, even when we are in sinking sand, we would not grab the rope that other people have tossed to us. We want to swim our way out of it and then realize we can't even keep our head above the sand!

No doubt about it. Life is full of challenges, hardship and disappointments. Some caused by others, and some by ourselves. But a lot of times we don't even slow down to find the real solution. We just keep complaining about how tough our lives are.

God is our Father, who created us and who knows what we have been through every single day. He didn't tell us to save ourselves but sent His Son Jesus to die for us so that our relationship with Him can be rebuilt first. And He gives us His Word in the Bible as lamps to our feet and light to our paths. (Psalm 119:105)

Do you know in the book of Proverbs God gave us a lot of precious advice? It has 31 chapters. Someone has suggested to me to read one chapter per day and repeat that for a year and see how that has changed my life. I'm still in the journey and have found it very useful. And I recommend that to you as well.

Youth and Young Adult Events

As many of you know by now, I have accepted a call to Risen Savior Lutheran Church in Chandler, Ariz. I truly feel that God is calling me there to serve and continue my ministry. I have loved the past two and a half years here in Iowa and at St. Paul's. My last day here was May 26 and then Mary Larsen and I made the long drive down to Arizona and moved in. I will be coming back to take the youth to the National Youth Gathering as this is something we have all looked forward to and I want to be there with them in Minneapolis! The information and knowledge that I have gained is insurmountable. The love that I was welcomed with from day one is unlike anywhere else. Over the past two years I have learned so much about youth and children's ministry but also about working with people from all generations and walks of life! I am so thankful for everything I gained here and want to thank all of you for walking and serving along side me.

Now for the events coming up for the youth:

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! If you haven't signed up yet, you can through our facebook, on our website or come into the church office and fill out a form! This year the theme is "Shipwrecked" and is June 10-14 from 9 a.m. to noon. We will be playing games, diving into the Word, enjoying delicious snacks, singing, playing and overall learning what it means to be Christian and how to live that out in our daily lives! Don't forget Friday is WATER DAY so make sure you pack your swimsuits, towels and sunscreen! Can't wait to see you all there! Make sure you invite your friends!



Adventureland: Lutheran Family Day at Adventureland is June 19! If you or your youth are interested in going, talk with Chris Hannemann. The price is still TBD and we would love some drivers. More info will come soon.

We are officially registered for our **National Youth Gathering** and have our vans, hotels and youth ready! We will have one more meeting at 6 p.m. June 26 in the basement of the church. We have 13 youth and 4 adults going to the Twin Cities. It will be an exciting time for everyone.



Blessings, Shannon

FIELD DAY AT PAULLINA



Friday, May 10





Greetings!

Preschool is almost full for next year. If you have not paid your material fee to hold your place, please do so by June 15th. We will open any places not paid for at that time. Miss VanCura is student teaching the first 20 weeks, so will not be with us next year. We wish her God's blessings as she continues on her journey.

Need a book to read? St. Paul's Lutheran School has a Lending Library that you can use for free. The Library is located next to our flag pole and children that are Preschool through 5th Grade may borrow a book from the box and return it for another one. Lending and returning are on a trust and grace basis.

Please, enjoy!!! If you would like to donate, there is a box by the trophy case for gently used or new books, or just leave the book in the Lending Library.

Aug. 18 – 4-Person Scramble Golf Outing, Old Dane Golf Course, Dakota City, Neb. Tee off 1 p.m.; \$60 per player. Includes: 18 holes, cart, steak dinner and prizes. To register, call (712) 258-6325. Dinner ONLY (4:30 p.m.); adults, \$15; 11 and under, \$6.

The School sponsors a golf outing every year to raise money for operating expenses of the school. We are asking for those to consider donating as a family. You may give a gift certificate from your business or donate a basket of goodies from your family. You may also donate your time. If you can cook, consider offering to cook a dinner for a couple. If you have time to rake or mow, consider offering time to do yard work. If you have a talent, give that as a gift certificate for a lesson. If you have a cabin or RV, you may consider lending it out for a weekend.



Please, pray about a way you may help out and thank you for your time and support of our school. We are here by God's grace. Also, pray for our school as we provide Christ-centered education for Siouxland. God bless your summer.

A Fellow Worker in Christ, 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 is placed by June 7, it may be picked up June 14. 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 or stop in the office.



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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 at St. Paul's	March 6	
April	Easter Egg Hunt	April 13	Fellowship Club
	Lamplighters at Trinity	April 3	
May	Soles 4 Souls	Month of May	Social Concern
	Lamplighters at Calvary	May 1	
	Soup Kitchen	May 28	
June	Block Party	June 9	Evangelism Committee
	V.B.S.	June 10-14	Sunday School
	Lamplighters at Concordia	June 5	
July	Lamplighters at Faith	July 3	
August	Soup Kitchen	Aug. 26 & 27	
	Lamplighters at Hope	Aug. 7	
September	Moving on baskets for CSADV	Month of September	Social Concern
	Friendship Sunday	Sept. 22	Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters at Redeemer	Sept. 4	
October	Trunk & Treat	Oct. 20 or 27	Evangelism Committee
	Lamplighters at St. Paul's	Oct. 2	
November	Dried food for Gospel Mission	Month of November	Social Concern
	Soup Kitchen	Nov. 25 & 26	
	Lamplighters at Trinity	Nov. 6	
December	Mittens & Hats for Women's Shelter	Month of December	St. Paul's School
	Lamplighters at Calvary	Dec. 5	

St. Paul's Block Party will be from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 9, in the school gym. There will be free food, games, music and gifts. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors.



June anniversaries

<u>June 1</u> Doug & Wilma Siefker 59 Years Jeff & Kim Strom 28 Years	<u>June 13</u> Steven & Joyce Segebart 32 Years
<u>June 2</u> Sue & Gary Munson 22 Years	<u>June 16</u> Frank & Michelle Tenuta 7 Years
<u>June 3</u> Brad & Holly Doerr 7 Years	<u>June 18</u> Jill & Adam Orban 14 Years
<u>June 4</u> Tom & Gail Brown 47 Years	<u>June 19</u> Tammy & Kenny Kasdorf Jr. 37 Years
<u>June 5</u> Brandon & Patricia Kasdorf 10 Years Erik & Linda Larsen 26 Years Roy & Barbara Sampson 48 Years	<u>June 20</u> Alexis & Jon Levay 4 Years
<u>June 6</u> Connie & Dick Dodds 61 Years	<u>June 21</u> Keith & Linda Grauer 44 Years
<u>June 7</u> Ashley & David Searls 5 Years	<u>June 22</u> Rev. Kenneth & Andrea Hsu 11 Years
<u>June 9</u> Steven & Marijo Benson 35 Years Dallas & Pam Schulz 29 Years	<u>June 23</u> Lisa & Kenneth Sherman Jr. 18 Years
<u>June 10</u> Steve & Marcia Shook 41 Years	<u>June 25</u> Mary & Stephen Haller 42 Years
<u>June 11</u> Lonnie & Carolyn Stuhr 54 Years	<u>June 27</u> Faye & Don Koch 65 Years James & Kim Weier 27 Years
<u>June 12</u> Ken & Karen Fluent 49 Years Robert & Charlotte Grothaus 59 Years	<u>June 30</u> Cory & Charmaine Black 6 Years Jason & Kelly Wagner 18 Years



May Baptism

Cora Lynn Black, daughter of Cory and Charmaine Black, was baptized into the family of God on May 12, 2019. Cora was born on Oct. 15, 2018.



June

BIRTHDAYS

June 1

Carroll Egdorf
Ben Schroeder
Erin White

June 2

Marlene Anderson
Rosella Dage
Linda Grauer
Shannon Porter

June 3

Chloe Black
Shelly De Mara
Dawn Dodds

June 4

Lane Christiansen
Adelyn Zediker

June 5

Sandra Andersen
Sherri Benson
Joey Ellickson
Benjamin Erickson
Stacy Jaminet

June 6

Marijo Benson
Josh Blanford
Colby Christiansen
Judith Jordan

June 7

Reagan Granstrom
Dennis Harwood
Sean Herfel
Joe Rose Jr.
Vernice Seebach

June 8

Tammy Kasdorf
Kylie Webb

June 9

Jennifer Barnes

June 10

Darlene Allison
Isabella Coleman

June 11

Rodney Petersen

June 12

Amanda Dodds
Delbert Johns
Cody Peck

June 13

Angela Bengford
Maxine Jones
Stephanie Roan

June 14

Jeanette Hult
Mary Larsen
Jacob Sulzbach
Patty Sulzbach

June 15

Cody O'Dell
Lainey Rugu

June 16

Bruce Nance
Kathryn White

June 17

Kathy Abbe
Kim Sparr
Mickey Striegel

June 18

Lori Eickholt
Brooklynne Grant

June 19

Doris Hill
Mikie Hogan

June 20

Wanita Bishop
Sarah Gunn

June 21

Karsen Gomez
Richard Sulzbach

June 22

Christopher Ford
Lake Larson

June 23

Brandi Beller
Joan Carney

June 24

Noah Johnson
Adam Schuldt

June 25

Michelle Siefker

June 26

David Attema
Deb Durio
Coleen McKeever

June 27

Sue Barnes
Marcus Lane
Lexie Levay
Frances Snyder

June 28

Kathy Coyle
Daniel Durio
Riggen Ferris
Isaac Swearingen

June 29

Dawn Anderson
Tyler Dodds
James Wetrosky

June 30

Charmaine Black
Larry Doerr

(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.)

Notes from St. Paul's

Blood Pressures

Mary Haller and Janet Black will take your blood pressure at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, June 9 in the back of the church.

Block Party

2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 9, In the school gym.

Evangelism

Hello everyone. Summer is here. The month of June is our Block Party on June 9. Also June 10 through June 14 is our VBS. Spread the Word of GOD. Have a Blessed and safe summer.
Evangelism Committee — Marlis Hilden



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.
Watch these programs on demand at mainstreetliving.com.



Missionary Presentation June 20

Missionary Rev. Charles Cortright will be visiting St. Paul's during the 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Thursday, June 20, in the Fellowship Hall.
He will share with us the work that he has been doing in St. Petersburg, Russia.
Please put the date on your calendar to attend.



Mercy Meals of Siouxland

Regular packaging events will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 22, 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.

Friends of Christ Club

(June event) Explorer's Game
Date will be announced
Snacks at Culver's afterwards

Friends of Christ Mystery Trip

The Friends of Christ mystery trip this year will be July 12. The cost will be \$75.
We will board the bus in front of St. Paul's School at 12:30 p.m. and return around 9:30 p.m. This price includes the bus, an evening meal, all admissions, tip for the driver, plus an afternoon snack. Last year we had a full bus with a waiting list, so if you plan to go, sign up with Joyce Santi right away.
Joyce's phone number is 276-6375. Send checks to Joyce at 1712 South Clinton, Sioux City, Iowa 51106. Our sister churches will be invited too, so don't wait to sign up. This trip is a little more expensive than in past years, but we think it's worth it.



Note Change: Stamps For Missions!

There has been a change in the collection of Stamp for Missions. They are NO LONGER taking all kinds of stamps. We will be ONLY collecting the following kinds of stamps: 1. Commemorative; 2. High Value (over 50 cents) 3. foreign; 4. Any unusual stamp. Special Delivery, etc.; 5. Hunting/Duck/Migratory Bird/ Department of Interior. All are large and sell for \$2.00 or more; 6. Coil stamps with very small plate number. PLEASE NO Christmas or Love or Coil (only those with plate numbers), common stamps. All stamps must be as perfect as possible, do not tear from envelopes, cut around them leaving at least 1/4 inch, do not cut perforations. We want to thank all you who have been so faithful saving the ones you have and hope you will continue with the ones recommended.

St. Paul's Lutheran Women's League

May 2, 2019

The Women's League met at 1:00 p.m. There were 6 members present. Carol Draube was our hostess.

Carolyn's devotion was entitled "New Every Morning." Pastor Kenny led a devotion on "We Need to Ask God to See What We Need."

There were no birthdays. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were approved as written.

Circle Reports:

Anna Circle – Quilting

Elizabeth Circle – Prayer Chain

Mary/Martha Circle will meet at Eastside Perkins at 6:00 p.m.

Old Business: 22 Quilts to Orphan Grain Train and also taking some to Camp Okoboji for quilt auction.

No New Business

We sang "Draw Us To Thee" and "What A Friend We Have in Jesus."

The meeting was adjourned. We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joyce Santi, Secretary Pro Tem

We Care Ministry

Mission Goal: To take care of the family members in Christ at St. Paul's
Galatians 6:10 — *So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.*

Areas of "We Care Ministry" to participate in:

Already in Place

- Lap Robes for shut-ins (Sewing Group)
- Prayer Chain (Elizabeth Circle)
- Blood Pressure Check (Mary Haller, Janet Black)
- Callers for desserts and salads for funerals (Charlotte Grothaus, Leona Rogers)
- Chairperson for funerals (Connie Elliott)

Future In-Reach

- Baking for shut-ins
- Provide transportation for people in need
- Provide meals for families that are experiencing challenges
- Listening Group (training will be provided)
- Visiting members in hospitals/nursing homes
- Provide financial support

Young at Heart Club

"Young at Heart Club" will meet Sunday, June 16, after the late service in the church basement "fellowship hall" for a noon potluck meal. Bring your favorite potluck dish and join us for a great meal and fellowship. — The Committee

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 6 p.m. Worship/ Communion
2 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion 5 p.m. Elder's Meeting	3	4	5 9:30 a.m. Lamplighters at Concordia Lutheran Church	6 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall 1 p.m. Women's League	7	8 6 p.m. Worship
9 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 Blood Pressures 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship 2:30 p.m. Block Party	10 VBS 9 a.m. Sewing 6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting	11 VBS	12 VBS	13 VBS 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall	14 VBS	15 6 p.m. Worship/ Communion
16 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Communion Young at Heart, noon	17 6 p.m. Mary Martha Circle	18	19 Adventureland: Lutheran Family Day	20 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall with Pastor Cortright, our missionary	21	22 6 p.m. Worship/ Installation of officers & board members
23 8:15 a.m. Worship/ Installation of officers & board members 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship/ Installation of officers & board members	24 9 a.m. Sewing 6 p.m. Summer Worship Service	25	26 6 p.m. National Youth Gathering meeting, church basement	27 8:30 a.m. Bible Study, Fellowship Hall	28	29 6 p.m. Worship
30 8:15 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Education Hour* 10:45 a.m. Worship				* Education Hour: High School Bible Study, two adult Bible Studies, Praise Team, and Sunday School, all at 9:30 a.m.		

STEWARDSHIP DEVOTION

Scripture Reading: *“No man should appear before the Lord empty-handed: Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord your God has blessed you”* (Deuteronomy 16:16-17).

Giving Proportionately

God directs us to give in proportion to our blessings. *“On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum in keeping with his income . . .”* (1 Corinthians 16:2). Through faith, we willingly surrender our proportionate gifts from our income to the Lord. In both the Old and New Testaments, the standard proportion of a person’s income to give was the tithe or ten percent. By grace, Scripture gives us examples of believers who even gave beyond the tithe. Zacchaeus gave 50 percent (Luke 19:1-10) and the poor widow 100 percent (Luke 21:1-4). The Macedonians, who were poor and distressed, gave sacrificially beyond their ability to give. After they gave themselves to the Lord, they gave their resources joyfully and freely to help the poor (2 Corinthians 8:1-5).



Whether God gives us little or much, we are to give from the blessings that God provides. Our blessings come from the Lord, so His gifts to us will determine what we have available to give. If, in God’s sovereignty, He chooses to give us little, we will be able to give only a little. However, if He gives us much, we have the responsibility to give much. *“From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked”* (Luke 12:48). When we faithfully give in proportion to the blessings that we receive, a gift of \$1,000 from \$10,000 of income is just as God-pleasing to God as a \$10,000 gift from \$100,000 of income.

The proportion that we give is determined more by our faith than our financial condition. As our faith grows, we are empowered to increase the proportion that we give. *“For Christ’s love compels us”* (2 Corinthians 5:14) to give generously. Through faith, we grow in our giving to the Lord through our churches. Rather than giving our leftovers, our giving becomes a priority. The two or three percent that we gave in past years is no longer satisfactory because we know that God deserves our first and best. As we grow in our proportionate giving, we see God’s grace at work in us as He gives us even more to give (2 Corinthians 9:8).

Prayer: Dear Lord, You are so generous with us. Grant us faithful and giving hearts so we can be generous with You. Help us to hold onto our things loosely. Empower us, Lord, to use our time, talents, and treasures in Your service. In Your precious name we pray. Amen.

Support Our Missionaries

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

Servants for the Month of June

Altar Guild:

Linda Greene
Sharon Heimgartner

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 June

06/02	1st Service	Steve Segebart Team
	2nd Service	Randy Johnson Team
06/09	1st Service	Dallas Schulz Team
	2nd Service	Mike Popken Team
06/16	1st Service	Jack Smith Team
	2nd Service	Bob Milbrodt Team
06/23	1st Service	Jack Smith Team
	2nd Service	Jack Smith Team
06/30	1st Service	Tim Draube Team
	2nd Service	Bill Hanna Team



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