

THE OTHER GOOD NEWS

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Preschool

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Christian Education is important

Worship Services Sundays 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Adult Bible Class 9:45 a.m. Sundays

Sunday Bible Class 9:45 am

Vision Statement

“A Christian church that shares the love of Jesus.”

Mission Statement

“St. Paul’s is a family of evangelical Lutherans that share the love of Jesus Christ. We believe the **Holy Bible** to be the true Word of God, without error, and the basis of our teaching, as confessed in the ‘Book of Concord 1580.’ Our Savior Jesus Christ answers prayers, provides comfort, peace, and blessings. Through the power of the Holy Spirit we respond to God’s love by joyfully worshipping, serving, teaching, and witnessing.”

“St. Paul’s Lutheran Church Early Childhood Center shares the Lord Jesus Christ with children, their families and friends, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, many will believe in Him and be saved.”

His week

Sunday (18) Learn to Sing (15 minutes) 7:55 am
Worship Service 8:30 am
Adult Bible Study 10:00 am
Divine Service* 11:00 am
Learn to Sing 12:20 pm (15 minutes)

Monday (19) Gardening Angels 9:00 am

Tuesday (20) Warming Hearts 7:00 pm
A. A. 8:00 pm

Wednesday (21) Bible Study – Ephesians 10:30 am

Thursday (22) LWML 37th biennial convention, New Mexico

Friday (23) Youth Group – Belle Isle Outing 10:00 am
Movie Night 7:00 pm

Saturday (24) A. A. 10:30 am
Parish Hall Rental 2:00 pm
VBS set up (help needed) 5:30 pm

Sunday (25) Learn to Sing (15 minutes) 7:55 am
Divine Service* 8:30 am
Confirmation Rite for Eric Thomason 8:30 am
Adult Bible Study 10:00 am
Worship Service 11:00 am
Learn to Sing 12:05 pm (15 minutes)
VBS set up following the 11:00 am Service

* indicates Holy Communion Service

“One of the greatest missing teachings in the American church today is the reminder to men and women that nothing we have belongs to us.” Gordon MacDonald, American Pastor and Teacher

Preschool enrolling now.

ST. PAUL'S PRESCHOOL . . . offers a variety of activities: Art Classes, Field Trips, Story Time, Snacks, Music and Movement, Weekly Themes, Cooking, Bible Lessons and Prayers.

Taught by Michigan Certified Teacher:
Heather Thomason

Please join Warming Hearts on Tuesday, June 20th for a time of fellowship and hand crafts. Our goal is to make 50 lap robes for our veterans.

Member, living near Harper and Martin Roads, needs a ride to Sunday Bible Study and home after the 11:00 service. Please call the church office if you are able to pick up and/or take home, one way or both, occasionally. Thank you!

Readings for Sunday, June 18th: Exodus 19:2 – 8, Psalm 100, Romans 5:6 – 15, St. Matthew 9:35 – 10:20

Readings for Sunday, June 25th: Jeremiah 20:7 – 13, Psalm 91:1 – 16, Romans 6:12 – 23, St. Matthew 10:5a, 21 – 33



Vacation Bible School June 26, 27, and 28, 10:00 a.m. - Noon, with special day June 29 (Thursday), also 10:00 a.m. - Noon, and evening petting zoo and Ice Cream Social at

6:30 and 7:30 pm Helpers needed primarily for June 26, 27, and 28 to lead crafts, assist with music, teach the preschool children, serve as a Group Leader for the older children, serve snacks, greet, register and welcome the students and parents, etc. Sign-up sheet in Parish Hall. More information coming.

THE EARTH AND ALL THE PEOPLE, PLANTS AND ANIMALS ARE GIFTS FROM GOD.



GOD WANTS US TO TAKE CARE OF THESE GIFTS.

Stuffed Animals needed (borrow) for VBS week --- only arctic type of stuffed animals --- polar bears, seals, small whales, arctic foxes, etc. Any sizes. Please contact Pastor Rutter if you can provide. We will need on June 25 and will return on June 29 or 30.



Weekly Stewardship Bible Verse:

Romans 5:8: "But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

God did not wait for mankind to make the first move. He did not wait for Adam and Even to come looking for Him – but He went and found them. And while we were still sinners, still enemies of God, still set against Him, He sent His Son Jesus to suffer, die, and rise for us. God was moved by His own love and generosity and kindness. We now seek to grow up into His image as loving, generous, and kind sons and daughters of the Heavenly Father.

Pro-Life Committee Pastor Rutter would like to form a committee of persons interested in learning about Life-issues and disseminating information to the congregation --- possibly planning events, etc. This proposed committee will meet 4 times per year, September, November, March, May. If you are interested, please sign the sheet in the parish hall. Thank you.

Members needed Thursday evening, June 29 at 7:30 pm to come and eat ice cream/banana splits with the parents and grandparents of the VBS children—greet them with our warmth and love.

Movie Night—Friday June 23rd—7:00 pm—check the bulletin board or entrances to see what is showing. A fun free evening to which everyone is welcome. Free popcorn, the best in St. Clair Shores.

"I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all. But whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess."—Martin Luther



"Children, vulnerable and dependent, desperately need security, and it has ever been a duty and a joy of fatherhood to offer it. Being a father requires strength ... and more than a little courage ... to persevere, to fight discouragement, and to keep working for the family ... With God's grace, fathers find the patience to teach, the fortitude to provide, the compassion to comfort, and the mercy to forgive. All of this is to say that they find the strength to love their wives and children selflessly ... Let us ... express our thanks and affection to our fathers, whether we can do so in person or in prayer." *President Ronald Reagan, Father's Day 1988 – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

How Fitting to Read the Word of God on a daily basis, especially in 2017, the 500th Anniversary year of the Reformation of the Church. Martin Luther translated the Scriptures into the language of his native land so that the people could read the Word of God and know the doctrines of the Church. The Board of Elders at St. Paul's determined at their September meeting to offer a pamphlet to our members, which assigns portions of God's Word on a daily basis, so that after 365 days the reader has read the Scriptures in their entirety. Consider the blessings that will come for each person who reads the Word of God on a daily basis, with the goal of reading every Word of God during the course of a year --- indeed, personal blessings **and** congregational blessings. Won't you please join us in reading through the Bible during 2017. Our journey begins today. If you fall behind, read fervently to "catch-up." Please receive a copy of the itinerary (a blue pamphlet in the Parish Hall.)

Bible Reading Plan for June 18 – June 24, 2017

June 18	Jeremiah 34 – 36, St. Matthew 26:51 – 75
June 19	Jeremiah 37 – 39, St. Matthew 27:1 – 26
June 20	Jeremiah 40 – 42, St. Matthew 27:27 – 50
June 21	Jeremiah 43 – 45, St. Matthew 27:51 – 66
June 22	Jeremiah 46 – 47, St. Matthew 28
June 23	Jeremiah 48 – 49, Philippians 1
June 24	Jeremiah 50, Philippians 2

Portals of Prayer for July through September 2017 are now available. Pick up your copy from the table in the Parish Hall today.

Special Needs Program here at St. Paul's, has been a blessing to many since 2007. **What is needed? Students ... ages 16 and up Do you know anyone or know of anyone with developmental disabilities? Please invite them to attend. There are no fees. We share the love of Jesus with the students as we teach them His Word. Please keep this program in your prayers, that more persons will come to know Jesus. Thank you!**

Volunteers are one of the most valuable assets of every congregation. Like most churches volunteers are a precious commodity and sometimes difficult to obtain. Currently, St. Paul's is seeking volunteers to be greeters, especially at the early service. This is an easy opportunity. All you have to do is greet worshipers and visitors and hand out service folders and newsletters. Please contact Donna L. or the church office if you are able to serve in this way. Thank you.

Young Persons needed – Junior High and older, to help the Communion Cup Washers; rotating schedule, likely once or twice per month. Mentoring provided. Please contact Pastor Rutter if you would like to serve; if leaving a message, indicate which Service you prefer to attend. Thank you!