

THE OTHER GOOD NEWS

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Preschool

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June 17, 2018

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 (17)	Worship Service 8:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:00 am Divine Service* 11:00 am
Monday (18)	Gardening Angels 8:30 am
Tuesday (19)	English District Convention Warming Hearts 7:00 pm A. A. 8:00 pm
Wednesday (20)	English District Convention
Thursday (21)	English District Convention Food Pantry open 11:00 am – 12 noon
Friday (22)	Movie Night 7:00 pm
Saturday (23)	A. A. 10:30 am Graduation (Thomason) 3:00 pm-8:00 pm
Sunday (24)	Divine Service* 8:30 am Adult Bible Study 10:00 am Worship Service 11:00 am

* indicates Holy Communion Service

Readings for Sunday, June 17th: Ezekiel 17:22 – 24, Psalm 1, II Corinthians 5:1 – 17, St. Mark 4:26 – 34

Readings for Sunday, June 24th: Job 38:1 – 11, Psalm 124, II Corinthians, St. Mark 4:35 – 41

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

Abuse --- are you or do you know a victim of abuse? --- whether of verbal abuse, physical abuse, sexual abuse, child molestation, elder abuse, neglect, financial exploitation, and more. The Transformation Center for Victims of Abuse is available to help. Located near 9 Mile and Jefferson, the caring Christian staff is prepared to help. 586-585-1789, or email tcfvictimsofabuse@gmail.com. Visit online, www.tcfva.org.

Upcoming events

June 25 – 28	Vacation Bible School
June 28	Ice Cream Social, Huron Metro Park bringing Cold-Blooded Animals
September 23 rd	Bring your entire family to church Sunday with Spaghetti Dinner afterward
October 19 – 20	Rummage Sale
November 11 th	Harvest Dinner and Auction

Shorewood Kiwanis is sponsoring free concerts during the months of July and August on every Monday evening, 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Wahby Park, 24800 Jefferson Avenue. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy this special series.

“Beware that you do not forget the Lord your God...lest when you have eaten and are full, and have built beautiful houses and dwell in them and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold are multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, your heart is lifted up and you forget the Lord your God.” Deuteronomy 8:11 – 14

Are you in the picture? Please call Larry S. if you haven’t reserved a photo session for the new St. Paul’s Photo Directory. We would like to have everyone’s picture in the new 2018 Directory. Dates for picture-taking at St. Paul’s have passed, but you can still have your picture taken at another location. The Board of Stewardship is organizing this project and would like to complete it before the middle of the Summer. For more information, please contact Larry S. We thank Larry and his team for organizing this important project.

Volunteers are needed as Trustees. Please speak to Anita for more details.

Portals of Prayer, July – September are available. Pick up your copy today.



Weekly Stewardship Bible Verse:

Mark 4:34 – “He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.”

How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. He has told us all things plainly. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our fight against sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore let us receive the Lord’s help in His Word and Sacraments – and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.

A congregation in the Word thrives.
A congregation not in the Word dies.
Conclusion: Each member be in the Word.
Read the Word of God at home. Study the Word of God together with your Pastor and brothers and sisters in the congregation.



Food Pantry Update

Thank you for your donations to our food pantry. Between 1 and 6 people visit the pantry each week. In addition to 2 bags of groceries, guests receive a *Portals of Prayer* devotion book, a prayer, and an invitation to church services. The pantry is accepting donations of food with the exception of canned corn. Please pray for those we serve that they will know Jesus loves them.

Human Care Ministry <*)>><

Bible Reading Plan for June 17 – June 23, 2018

June 17	Jeremiah 32 – 33, St. Matthew 26:26 – 50
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



“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*

FREE DETROIT LUTHERAN SINGERS CONCERT - June 28

The Detroit Lutheran Singers will be embarking on an international tour in the summer of 2018 to Germany! This tour, in the footsteps of Bach and Luther, will include multiple concerts by DLS and an opportunity to trace the roots of the Lutheran Church. This 12 day tour will start in Berlin and travel through Germany with musical stops in Leipzig, Eisleben, Eisenach, Heidelberg, Erfurt and Worms. The Detroit Lutheran Singers will be having a **FREE** 'Farewell' Concert before they embark on their international tour. This **FREE** concert will be hosted at Historic Trinity on Thursday, June 28th at 7:00 pm. The Detroit Lutheran Singers will be presenting the beautiful music that they will sing on their international tour. Please come and enjoy this **FREE Farewell Concert** and wish them 'Auf Wiedersehen'!

Vacation Bible School needs volunteers. Can you please sign the sheet in the parish hall today if you are very interested or even remotely interested or have any interest at all in helping this Summer (mornings, June 25-28). We need to learn how many volunteers we can potentially recruit. RSVP either by signing the sheet or by sending an email message to the church, "st.pauls.scs@gmail.com." Thank you.

Blood Drive July 11, 1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. American Red Cross at The Lake House, 23500 Pare (the former Pare Elementary School building), 48080. Questions, 586-777-7761 or make appointments at www.redcrossblood.org, sponsor code "milakehouse" — thank you!



Gardening Angels has resumed at a new time – 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Can you help? We're looking for members and non-members who enjoy the great outdoors. How appropriate for the House of

Right to Life-LIFESPAN Pregnancy Help...There are approximately 750 abortion clinics and approximately 3000 pro-life pregnancy help centers in the US. These numbers change from time to time but the fact remains, there are thousands of people willing to offer whatever help is needed to a pregnant teen, woman, or family. No woman need ever feel helpless or without a choice—for Life! For more information, please call the LIFESPAN office, 248-816-1546

God to display the beauty of His creation through flowers, plants, etc., plus beautiful gardens makes the community a nicer place in which to live. Yes, gardening can be hard, but it is rewarding. And you will get dirty – but dirt is good. Fresh air, sunlight, soil, plants, flowers, a little sweat – all a blessing. Come and help. If not every Monday (except Memorial Day and Labor Day), come when you are able. Plant donations are always accepted – if you find too many plants in your home yard ... BUT please contact Will S. or Pastor Rutter before you bring any. Monetary donations are always needed too. Thank you.

Reflections on the Christian Life and

Reception of the Sacrament

Behold, your Redeemer anointed your blind eyes with the salve of His incarnation, so that you, who could not look upon God in His glory in the secret place of His majesty, might look upon God in the form of a man; and beholding Him, acknowledge Him; and acknowledging Him, love Him; and loving Him, do your utmost with all your might to come to His glory. He was made flesh that He might call you back to the things of the Spirit. He was made a partaker of your changeableness that He might make you a partaker of His unchangeableness. He condescended to your lowliness that He might exalt you to His high loftiness ... In Bethany, which is by interpretation, "the house of obedience," He raised Lazarus from the dead, showing that all, who by the earnest endeavor of a good will die to the world and rest in the bosom of obedience, shall be raised by Him to Life Eternal. When He delivered His Body and Blood to His disciples in the mystical supper, He humbly washed their feet, teaching us that the sacred mysteries should be celebrated with deeds of purity and devout humbleness of mind. When He was to be glorified by the splendor of His holy resurrection, He endured the mocking of traitors, the cruelty of insults, the shame of the cross, the bitterness of gall, and at the last death itself, admonishing His servants thereby that those who desire after death to attain glory must bear the troubles and labors of this present life and the oppressions of the wicked, not only without murmuring but also with love and desire and cheerful welcome to all, which is hard in this world for the sake of the Eternal reward. [Anselm of Canterbury, 1033-1109]

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!

TWO AMAZING WEBSITES for LIFE
www.lcms.org/life
www.lutheransforlife.org

LUTHERAN SINGLE SENIORS CONNECTION

A Way to Stretch Your Mind, Body, and Soul
"So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom....Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days". Psalm 90:12, 14

Objective

To provide an avenue for single seniors aged 60 and up in the Metro Detroit area to gather together in Christ's Name for the purpose of fostering relationships with other single seniors through participation in activities that exercises the mind, body, and soul. We welcome seniors of all faiths, and honor opportunities to share the love of Christ.

Mind

- Monthly Supper & Speaker Series

Body

- Weekly walks at the zoo, nature trails, riverfront, arboretums...

Soul

- Monthly or bi-monthly Matins and Breakfast Gatherings

Other

- Field trips: Creation Museum/ Noah's Ark – DIA – DSO – Redford Theater...

Calling Single Seniors 60 plus! With the help of our Lord, four or more single seniors from four or more area churches will accept this call to be part of the *Lutheran Single Senior Connection* organizational team. The time commitment is small, the rewards and benefits are great. We appreciate whatever wisdom, skills, and resources you can offer. If you are at all interested, and have a few hours to spend sharing ideas and input, please call, text, or email. Meeting date TBD.

A Single Senior Sister in Christ,

Sue Boyle smvboyle@gmail.com 248-320-3413



Parish Library now open and lending. A printout of books/periodicals/DVDs is available on the table in the Parish Library — please feel free to examine at home. We have some wonderful new books, including "The Reason I Believe", "Why Should I Trust the Bible?", "Has American Christianity Failed?", and "From Atheism to Christianity", to name a few. Please register any books you remove with the "card-system" in place. Thank you.