

FEB 2020

This newsletter is a monthly publication of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Articles and information pertinent to the life and mission of the congregation may be submitted to the church office or by email. Space limitations may require editing of material.

Pastor
Rev. Mike Metzler

Organists
Sue Hickle
Connie Odendahl

Church Secretary
Jennifer Kubesh

Church Newsletter
Jennifer Kubesh
Cydelle Klande

Church Council
Meets 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm

Randy Hickle,
Chairman

Matt Maser, *Vice Chairman*

Tracy Peterson,
Treasurer

Tonette Peterson,
Secretary

Cydelle Klande,
Financial Secretary

Elders
Robbie Robinson
Toby Hickle
Aaron Peterson
Isaac Maser

Trustees
Rick Williams
Carol Robinson
Tony Nelson

St. Paul Lutheran Church

LENTEN SEASON BEGINS FEB 26

Please join us for supper before the Lenten Service. YOU DO NOT have to bring anything in for the main meal. There will be a sign-up sheet for desserts.

**Wednesday's, the supper starts at 6pm with
Worship at 7pm.**

This is the menu for each week.

Feb 26th.....sloppy joes, corn, chips, pickles, and dessert

Mar 4th....soup/chili, corn bread, sandwiches and dessert

Mar 11th.....spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, and dessert

Mar 18th...hot dogs or chili dogs, beans, chips and dessert

Mar 25th.....soup and sandwiches, and dessert

Apr 1st.....soup and sandwiches, and dessert

There will be a free will offering, a fundraiser for Youth Group.
Some funding has been provided by Thrivent Action Teams.



Church News



February Usher's – Robbie & Steve

Acolyte Schedule:

Sunday's:

Feb 2nd: Carlie **Feb 9th:** Chase **Feb 16th:** Ethan **Feb 23rd:** Grace

Ash Wed:

Feb 26th: Nik

Quilting:

Come join us for quilting on Monday's at 10am at the church. All are welcome!!

Harvest Christian School:

Broomball tournament Sat Feb 15, 2020 at 10am. Please see the bulletin board for more information.

Pancake Breakfast:

This is on Easter Sunday at 7:30am. We need helpers!! See John Frank for more information or if you would like to help!

Church Website:

Take a look at the church website....the more the clicks, the better!

www.stpaulhinckleymn.org



Our Stewardship January 1-18th, 2020

General Fund \$3,928.00
Altar Flowers \$82.00
Missions \$5.00

TOTAL \$ 4,015.00



Flower Chart:

Feb 2nd: Open
Feb. 9th: Mary Ellen Bruns...
in loving memory of Harlow and family
Feb 16th: Jeanette Schaefer...
in loving memory of Fred
Feb 23rd: Tim and Sue Davis...
in honor of their wedding anniversary

Homebound:

Mona Klar
Lorraine Robbins
Lois Kendall
Janice Ladd
Pat Kunze
Kristi Graber
Vivian Kelm
Marjorie Pike
Florence Benoit

Please submit articles for the newsletter to Cydelle Klande
cydelleklande@gmail.com

Please submit reports by the third Friday of the month.

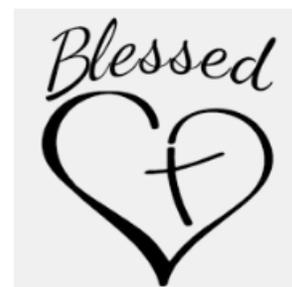
Thank you!!

February 2020

1st: Brad Hopkins
3rd: Davie Hopkins
6th: Jennifer Schroeder
10th: Ron Rabe
12th: Isla Zabrok
13th: Casey Wimmer
Lois Kendall
15th: JD and Chelsey Bottelson
15th: Jayne Maser
16th: Carla Wimmer
18th: Greg Wickstrom
21st: Arden Gruett
23rd: Kristi Graber
24th: Hannah Swenson
Nichole Hansen
26th: Shawn Ausmus
Larry and Linda Marotz
27th: Doug Maser
Tim and Sue Davis
Liam Rogneby
28th: Genoa Gregg
Diane Rogneby

If we are missing anyone, please let Jennifer or Cydelle know!

Thank you.



EASTER SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday (April 9th) 7:00 pm

Good Friday (April 10th) 7:00 pm

Easter (April 12)

Sunrise Service	6:30 am
Pancake Breakfast	7:30 am
Easter Service	9:00 am



Youth Group

Youth Group Upcoming Events

The next Wednesday meeting is set for February 12 at 6 pm.

We are looking at dates for a larger activity - perhaps tubing later in the month. Check the bulletin and Remind for updates on this and for fellowship serving dates.

St. Paul Hinckley will be hosting the Circuit Youth Event on Sunday, April 26.



C.A.S.E. / Confirmation

Schedule for February

Feb 5 2:30pm – 4pm
Feb 12 2:30pm – 4pm
Feb 19 2:30pm – 4pm

NO Case/Confirmation on Ash Wed Feb 26

Little Lambs Preschool

In December we talked about the birth of baby Jesus. We used nativity sets to talk about the story and made some crafts to tell the story. We also talked about green and triangles and made some Christmas tree projects. Jennifer came in to help us make an ornament for our parents. Every day we practiced songs for our program and did a great job that night.

January, we are talking about black and painted black stocking caps. Now we are going to use white for projects to make snow and snowmen. The kids have learned about half of the alphabet and are all the way to M. We also found the rice table, was lots of fun.

Mrs. Sharon and kids



St. Paul Lutheran Church
Unapproved council minutes
1-13-2020

Present: Pastor Mike, Tonette Peterson, Tracy Peterson, Matt Maser, Randy Hickle, Carol Robinson, Tony Nelson, Robbie Robinson, Isaac Maser, Rick Williams, Jennifer Kubesh, Aaron Peterson, Toby Hickle

Meeting was called to order by Randy at 7:05pm. Pastor opened with a prayer.

Secretary's report was accepted as read

Treasurer's report accepted as read. Motion Carol second Tony

Income: \$125,610.74 . Checking \$20,645.61 Expense \$126,458.42

Savings \$58,710.68 Net Income \$-847.68

(noted that the Savings total includes the \$20,000 loan for Pastor as well as all memorial funds)

Pastor's report: hospital visits, home visits, attended various meetings, 1 funeral, 1 baptism, newspaper articles, Chaplain's group events, Little Lambs, Confirmation, Bible Studies, CASE, Advent & Christmas worship, caroling

Old Business

*Carillon is installed and working.

*Spray foam will be done soon.

*The trustees are looking into heat tape options for the roof.

*Fellowship committee always needs help.

*The elders are looking for volunteers to help contact inactive members. Watch for upcoming info.

New Business

*The Men's Retreat at LIC is coming up.

*There will be a Circuit Convocation Service on 6-28-2020 at Peace Lutheran Church in Finlayson. Watch for upcoming info.

* Upon motion by Carol and second by Rick, the elders and Pastor will discuss a conceal and carry policy, as well as other safety measures for SPLC.

*There will be a doorbell installed in the entryway. This will allow the outside doors to be open while allowing the inside doors to remain locked during open hours.

*We need to keep the thermostats at a target temp of 68°-72° during the winter, and 72°-75° in the summer. This will help maintain equipment and furniture.

*Toby and Tony worked with an individual on an energy analysis. It was found that changing all bulbs over to LED would be cost efficient, as well as upgrading furnaces and AC units to more efficient units in due time. There may be rebates offered for some of these upgrades. There is a copy of the report in the office.

*Toby received commercial insurance quotes from three agents. These rates varied from about \$5563-\$8495. He will investigate in greater detail and get back to the council.

*Toby has offered to check into working with our youth leaders and youth circuit wide, in the event that we lose the current circuit worker.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm upon motion by Toby and second by Robbie, closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Tonette Peterson, Council Secretary

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Quarterly Voter's Meeting (unapproved)
1-19-2020

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Hickle at 10:15 AM with 28 members present. Pastor opened with a prayer.

Secretary's report was accepted as read.

Treasurer's report was accepted as read upon motion by Carol Pangerl and second by Chuck Borchard.

Checking \$18,282.63 Savings \$58,710.68

YTD income \$125,610.74 YTD expense \$126,458.42 Net income -\$847.68

Savings includes \$16,270.30 memorial funds and \$20,000.00 pastor loan, that cannot be used for operation

Pastor's report includes home/office/hospital/off site visits, 2 funerals, 2 baptisms, various meetings, Youth Group activities, Confirmation, chaplaincy tasks, newspaper articles, CASE, Bible Study, Advent and Christmas worship, caroling, attended an Islam worldview speaker

Youth Group has been busy with various activities including dinner & devotion, circuit events, caroling, Operation Christmas Child, wreath sales, and serving fellowship

Sunday School is going well. Additional teachers and help are always welcome! **CASE** is going well but would like some more adult help. Noted that SS and CASE material coincide with each other.

Little Lambs is going well. Seven students are enrolled. Scholarships are available if members would like to donate to this.

Fellowship: Jennifer Kubesh and Jayne Maser will be taking over Fellowship. Thank you to MaryAnn and Jeanette for the many years of hard work. Motion by John Frank and second Karissa Ausmus.

Old Business

-Shutters are installed. One needs to be looked at as it was a little rough to close.

-Spray foam will be put in this week

-Roof rakers are still needed when it snows.

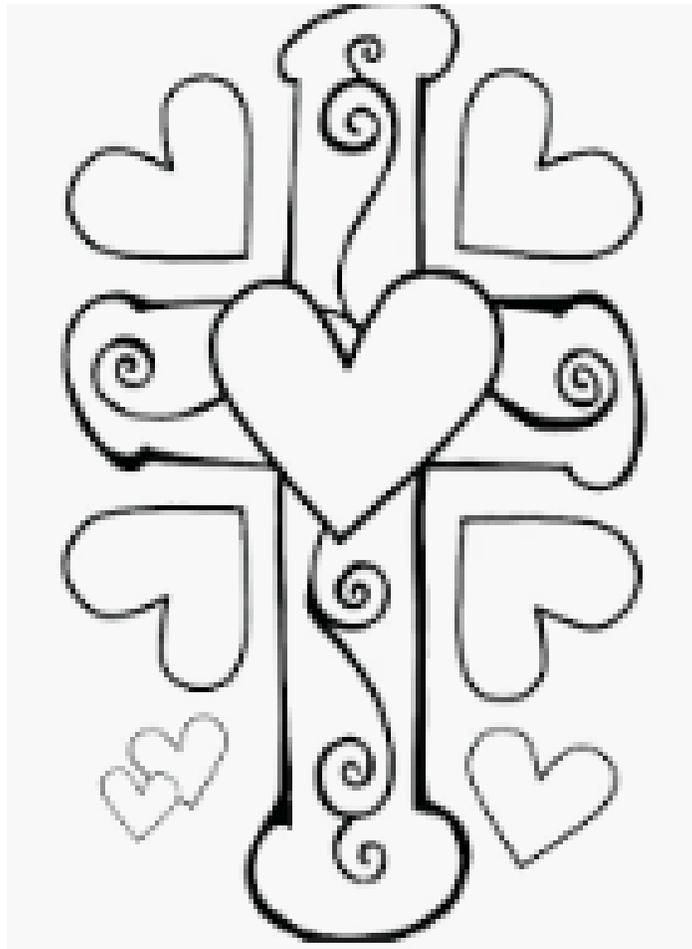
-Carillon is installed and working. Members would like to have them ring louder, and at 8:59AM Sunday, 12PM and 6PM 7 days with a toll and hymns.

New Business

- Lent services will begin on 2-26-2020. Supper at 6pm and worship at 7pm. Watch for a sign up sheet for desserts.
- Easter worship will be at 6:30AM and 9:00AM with pancake breakfast at 7:30. John could use some help with the breakfast.
- The thermostats are to stay 68-72 in the winter, and 72-75 in the summer. This is to maintain efficiency & equipment/furniture
- Emergency exit doors need to be cleaned off and snow removed
- Marco will be contacted to update our copier lease. This includes 4000 copies a month at \$165.00. Motion by John Frank and second Robbie Robinson
- Commercial building insurance is being looked into by Toby Hickle. He will bring the details to the council. We have the possibility of significant savings.
- The newsletters will be condensed to save paper, but will still be produced monthly.

Upon motion by MaryAnn Lyon and second by John Frank, the meeting was adjourned at 11:24pm

Respectfully Submitted, Tonette Peterson, Council Secretary



CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Rock-Climbing Catfish



...that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4:11b)

It's not very pretty, nor is it graceful, but Colombia's rock-climbing catfish has a unique ability among fish.

The rock-climbing catfish's climbing equipment begins with a powerful sucker mouth. Once it attaches itself to a rock, it can stay stuck despite any torrent. The rock-climbing catfish also has a bony plate on its belly that helps it hold its place while it repositions its sucker a little further up the rocks. The plate has fins with tiny, backward-pointing teeth. These teeth dig into the rock and prevent slipping. The catfish's third special feature is a set of powerful muscles to control the plate.

Once the rock-climbing catfish has attached its sucker to the rock, it pulls up its stomach plate and anchors it. With its body anchored, it moves its sucker up the face of the rock and repeats the process. Following this method, the rock-climbing catfish can walk its way up a 20-foot rock wall against the torrent of a waterfall in about 30 minutes!

Who gave the rock-climbing catfish that powerful sucker mouth? Who gave it such a clever bony stomach plate and the powerful muscles to control it? Who taught it to climb rocks? There are two opinions. One opinion says that no one did it. The other says that it was the work of the Creator of worlds and stars and you and me. The Bible's claim of a Creator is the only one that makes sense!

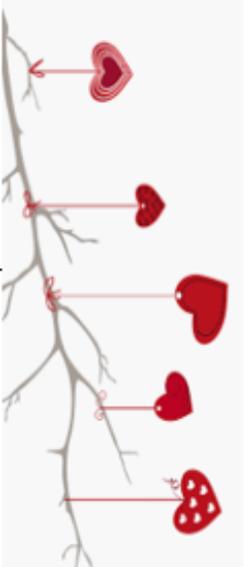
Ref: Hanson, Jeanne K., and Deane Morrison. 1990. "The wonderful weird of flora and fauna." *Star Tribune* First Sunday, Dec. 2. p. 17. Image: Catfish moving up a cave's flowstone waterfall in the Tena district, Ecuador. Courtesy of Geoff Hoese. Used under Fair Use act for educational purposes.

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23 9am Worship w/ Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School 10:30am Bible Study	24 10am Quilting	25	26 10am Bible Study <i>NO CASE</i> <i>NO Confirmation</i> 6pm Meal 7pm Worship ASH WEDNESDAY	27	28	29	

COME JOIN OUR WORSHIPPING FAMILY

FEBRUARY 2020

Worship: Sunday at 9:00 am

Sunday School: Sunday at 10 am

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For God so Loved the World



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