

St. Paul Lutheran Church

May 2021 Newsletter



*From the
Pastor's
Desk*



The Lord be with you!

Spring has sprung ... or at least, it has gotten closer to springing anyway. What are the kinds of things you think about when you think of spring? The musty, old smells finally going away and being replaced by the fresh new smells of spring, like when it rains? Or maybe seeing that special, unique green that we only see in the new growth of springtime? How about the return of the green grass? Ok, maybe not the grass part, because we all know what comes after the grass gets going....

Have you ever considered that God also renews you in the springtime? If you have, very cool! If not, then try it sometime, anytime, or at least the next time you're looking or being outside. It's true, thinking in terms of God renewing us at springtime like He does with His whole creation gives us a great emotional lift after a long winter of being fairly cooped up. It's like God just washes away the old winter us and gives us a new Spring set of clothes and good thoughts to go with those clothes.

Did you know we don't have to wait for a whole year to get those new clothes and thoughts? Well, we don't. We don't have to wait even for a week for that to happen to us.

God does it EVERY DAY for all His children! The 3rd person of the Holy Trinity, the Holy Spirit, does this every day to and for you! He calls gathers, sanctifies and keeps you in the one true faith in Christ Jesus. The Holy Spirit sanctifies you every day. Every single day it is the Holy Spirit who brings you to repentance and gets rid of your old 'Adam' and then helps the 'new, improved and better you' *spring* forth.

As we approach Pentecost, where we see the disciples receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in Jerusalem, remember that you have received the gift of that same holy Spirit in your baptism. Thanks be to God for each spring and our daily, personal improvements!

God's richest blessings to you and your family!

in His name,

Pastor Mike Metzler

Pastor's is off on Friday and Saturday each week

Acolyte Schedule:

May 2nd: Ethan

May 9th: Grady

May 16th: Nik

May 23rd: Mckenna

May 30th: Grace

**Confirmation Sunday:**

Confirmation Sunday is on May 23, 2021. Congrats Ethan!! And Congrats to Natalie and Landon from St. John's Lutheran!!

Fellowship will be back on May 30th as we honor the graduating class of 2021. We will be serving cupcakes and coffee. Fellowship will continue during the summer.

Graduation Class of 2021! Congrats to Tess, Jacob, McKenzie, John, Seth, Ian, Mitchell

For Sale:

Riding Lawn Mower, John Deere, \$600, talk to Tony Nelson for more information

Newsletter:

We are combining the June and July newsletter into one newsletter. We need June and July information by May 25th!

Flowers:

We are now getting the altar flowers from Chris's Food in Sandstone. If you have not paid for flowers this year and/or an Easter Lily, please do so soon. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School:

Vacation Bible School will be July 19-23, 9am to Noon each day. If you want to help out this week in any way, please contact Jayne Maser.

Hey y'all! Welcome back to the Confirmation Corner!

The 6 1st year students have nearly 'survived' the whole year! We have made our way through the Articles of the Apostles' Creed and had some very interesting discussions as we explored the 3 persons of the Holy Trinity and how they each affect us as God's people. The 2nd year students have worked their way through Confession and Absolution (Office of the Keys/forgiveness of sins) and the Sacrament of the Altar. We're now reviewing in preparation for the examination which is on Saturday, May 22nd here at St. Paul from 9 -11am for all 3 students.

Confirmation Sunday is May 23rd at St. Paul. Our 2 guest students have decided to be confirmed at their home church of St. John in Kroschel on May 30th.

Please keep these 9 students in your prayers.



Summer Gospel Nights 2021

June 6th: Mike, Mary and Rebecca, Hinckley, MN

June 13th: The Holy Hootenanners, Mahtown, MN

June 20th: The Highview Bluegrass Band, Webster, WI

June 27th: The Neighborz Band, North Branch, MN



July 4th: No Concert, Happy 4th of July

July 11th: Sons of Promise, Hinckley, MN

July 18th: Mystery Mountain Boys, East Central, MN

July 25th: The Schimpp's with Gary Timbs, Staples, MN

August 1st: The Paul Family Bluegrass Band, Trout Creek, MI

August 8th: The Klassen Family, Worthington, MN

August 15th: The Harbinger's Quartet, Mpls, MN

August 22nd: The Benson Family, Fairbault, MN

August 29th: Kenny Krona, Cambridge, MN



Sunday nights at 6:30pm at St. Paul Lutheran

Freewill Offering Taken

Will be following guidelines for appropriate health and safety protocols provided by the MN Dept of Health.



Thank You Greg and Wendy for making this happen each year!



May 2021

1st: Liz Klar
4th: Wendy Kroschel
Piper Brant
6th: Reese Bottelson
7th: Abraham Maser
Keith Hopkins
Kim Hopkins
12th: Jordin Klar
Ben Gregg
14th: Carol Nelson
23rd: Chelsey Bottelson
Hunter Peterson
26th: Nicole Hansen
27th: David Berquist
Rod Lawin
29th: Betty Christensen
31st: Patrick Hagen
Tim Stadler

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

Thank you.

Flower Chart:

May 4th: Jennifer Kubesh.....in loving memory
of Vivian Kelm

May 9th: Greg & Connie Odendahl...Rollis and
Lorraine Odendahl Anniversary

May 16th: Tony & Carol Nelson.. in loving
memory of granddaughter, Imogen

May 23rd: Confirmation Sunday

May 30: Graduation

Prayer List:

Family and friends of Carol Pangerl,
Kristi Graber, Jacob Roubinek, and all
those in need of a prayer or two!

Newsletter Deadline:

Please email anything for the
newsletter to the church email
by the
3rd Friday of the Month.

***We are combining
June and July newsletter.***
Thank you!!



Fellowship, Food and Fishing!

Friday June 11th 8am to 11am



The charter is through Fisher's Resort in Isle (Malmo) and our own Captain Robbie Robinson will be your guide!

Equipment and Bait are supplied but you can bring your own fishing pole.

You do not even have to fish, come along for the ride and fellowship.

If you fish though, **do not forget the fishing license!**

There is a grill on board, and food and drinks are available.

If you bring your kiddos along, don't forget their life jackets!

The deadline to sign up is end of May, so we know how many are coming.

We have a 20 slot limit available for sign up. Hurry to get your spot!! 😊

Weather permitting, *this may be rescheduled*. We will let you know if this happens.

We will let everyone that is interested in fishing and fellowship, know what the price is at the end of May (after people sign up).

Any questions, call the office.

The sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the church mid- April or just let the office know.

Thank You!!



LITTLE LAMBS

We spent the last few weeks learning about Holy Week, Jesus Ride into Jerusalem, The Lord's Supper, Praying in Gethsemane, Jesus arrest and trial, His death and burial and then wonderful Easter when He rose again.

We had felt board, puzzles, posters, books to help us learn about it and Pastor told us about this too. Sang Hosanna songs and Alleluia Songs.

Purple was our color and we saw it in church where is means we are sorry for our sins. We used purple paint and red and blue playdough which made purple. We had projects with jellybeans stickers for the jelly bean prayer, and Easter Cross with Jesus alive again, a cross to decorate, and egg stickers.

We talked about letters though U and numbers through 14. We have worked with squares and rectangles. We have so much fun choosing our activities during free play time.

Snack time is always a highlight and now we are able to go out to the playground again!!

Mrs. Sharon and kids.

Little Lambs Program is Wednesday May 26th at 6:30pm.



YOUTH CIRCUIT

Hello and blessings to you!

Our March and April Circuit Youth Events went well! We had 11 youth come to Finlayson in March and 7 youth came to the event we had for April. We have been studying current event in light of the Gospel. We will be have our last youth study on this topic for May 16th 2:00-4:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Isle.

Thank you!

LeAnn Gregoire

Circuit Youth Worker/Deaconess Intern

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Unapproved council minutes
4-12-2021

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

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

Secretary's report was accepted as amended to read:

*The fishing charter will begin at 8AM.

*The doors will lock 15mins after service starts. An usher or elder will let you in.

Motion Carol, second Aaron

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

Income: \$65,670.81 Checking \$16,046.79

Expense \$65,783.41 Savings \$59,017.32

Net Income \$-112.60

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

acct includes the \$3660 CARES Act grant, and partial insurance payment of \$12,400.00)

Our PPP loan was forgiven 3-29-2021

Pastor's report: home visits, office visits, LL lessons, confirmation classes, newspaper articles, weekly meditation posted online, Bible studies, Lent and Holy Week worship, Easter, Circuit youth event, youth group, nonmember committal, elder meeting and council meeting

Old Business

*Fellowship will begin in June. No homemade goodies will be allowed yet. Must be from a bakery or prepackaged.

*Motion by Tracy and second by Toby, we will begin having communion at the rail on May 9th with each family still socially distancing, and wearing a mask to and from the rail. Everyone's safety and all guidelines will be followed as we slowly move forward opening fully.

*Motion by Tracy and second by Carol to upgrade the push mower and weed whip. The total of all equipment will be \$5900.00. Total offerings designated to lawn care equipment was \$8000.00. Our current lawnmower will be for sale- watch the newsletter for info.

*The roofers will be here in June to begin repairs. Once the roof and steeple are completed, the sanctuary ceiling will be repaired.

*A bid on new furnaces for education wing/fellowship hall/ office was received at \$15,550.00. We will readdress this at a later date.

*Rebates on the newly installed furnaces will be checked into.

New Business

- *A bid to fill, seal, and stripe our parking lot is being sought.
- *Jeff's was contacted regarding the ruts from snow removal
- *An amplifier for our sound system is malfunctioning. A new one will cost about \$450. Our system is quite outdated, so all options will be looked at.
- *Jayne Maser will be directing VBS. Watch for upcoming info!

We adjourned at 9:10pm closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, Tonette Peterson, St. Paul Lutheran Church council secretary

Just for KIDS

Find the correct path through the heart below. Write the words in order, as you find them, on the lines below.

BEGIN

LOVE HEART LOVE THE LORD YOUR YOUR GOD
WITH GOD THE LORD YOUR YOUR GOD
HEART MIND YOUR SOUL
LOVE HEART YOUR ALL
MIND YOUR SOUL AND ALL
THE YOUR SOUL AND ALL
YOUR ALL WITH AND ALL
LORD SOUL AND ALL YOUR
SOUL AND ALL YOUR

END

” Matthew 22:37

St. Paul Lutheran Church
Quarterly Voter's Meeting (unapproved)
4-18-2021

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Hickle at 10:04 AM.

Pastor opened with a prayer.

Secretary's report was accepted as read upon motion by Randy Hickle

Treasurer's report was accepted as read upon motion by Loren Vogler and second Greg Kroschel *Checking* \$16,046.79. *Income* \$65,670.81 *Savings* \$59,017.32 *Expense* \$65,783.41 *Net Income* \$-112.60 Checking includes all memorial funds, \$12,000+ of roof insurance, and \$3,660 CARES ACT Grant, Savings includes \$20,000 Pastors Loan PPP loan has been forgiven, Expense included new lawnmowers, Vernetta memorial will go to new furnaces and \$2,000 to youth group

Pastor's report includes home/office/ visits, 4 official acts (2 baptisms, 2 nonmember committals), online devotions, LL, Confirmation, Bible Study, Lent and Easter, circuit meetings, elders, altar guild, council meetings, youth group, presentation in Iowa

***Youth Group** has been active with outdoor activities. Just held a food drive. Looking into national youth gathering next year, as well as other opportunities. Current balance is \$7,159.02

***Little Lambs:** Sharon Tvedt is retiring after this year. Will seek a new teacher if at least 5 enrollments come in. LL gave an offering toward the new lawncare equipment. They also built a new storage shed.

***Sunday School** numbers are increasing. A special activity was held on Easter Sunday. We are always looking for more subs and help.

***CASE** will resume in the fall

Old Business

-Roof work will begin in June. Insurance will cover full replacement cost under existing claim. The steeple will remain.

-We are eligible for \$2,200 in energy rebates due to the new furnaces

-A bid for \$15,405 for the new furnaces in the education wing was received

-The new lawnmowers have been picked up. Thanks to Chuck for his continued help. The old lawnmower is for sale.

New Business

- The elders and Pastor have discussed offering communion at every service, as well as having communion at the rail.
- Discussion was had about stopping the parking lot worship.
- Confirmation will be here on May 23, and in Kroschel on May 30.
- Upon motion by Greg Kroschel and second by Loren Vogler, the council will seek professional recommendations on our sound system repair/replacement
- The new church council will be Chair Randy Hickle. Vice Chair Toby Hickle. Elders Robbie Robinson/John Frank/Matt Maser/Greg Kroschel. Trustees Rick Williams/David Berquist/Doug Kottke. Secretary Tonette Peterson, Financial Secretary Cydelle Klande. Treasurer Wendy Kottke. Motion by Karissa Ausmus and second by Jeanette Schaefer. Passed unanimously.
- Christian Outreach was discussed. We need to be more active reaching out to current members as well.
- Wendy has fliers available for the summer gospel concerts.
- VBS will be July 19-23. Watch for upcoming info.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15AM upon motion by Greg Kroschel and second with Jeanette Schaefer with the Doxology. *Respectfully Submitted, Jayne Maser*



CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Pastor

Rev. Mike Metzler

Church Secretary

Jennifer Kubesh

Church Newsletter

Jennifer Kubesh

Cydelle Klände

Organists

Sue Hickle

Connie Odendahl

Church Council

Meets 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm

Randy Hickle, *Chairman*

Matt Maser, *Vice Chairman*

Tracy Peterson, *Treasurer*

Tonette Peterson, *Secretary*

Cydelle Klände, *Financial Secretary*

Elders

Robbie Robinson

Toby Hickle

Aaron Peterson

Isaac Maser

Trustees

Rick Williams

Carol Robinson

Tony Nelson

New Council starting July 2021

Chairman: Randy Hickle

Vice Chair: Toby Hickle

Elders: Robbie Robinson, John Frank,

Matt Maser, Greg Kroschel

Trustees: Rick Williams,

David Berquist, Doug Kottke

Secretary: Tonette Peterson

Financial Secretary: Cydelle Klände

Treasurer: Wendy Kottke

Stewardship for 03/01/21 to 03/31/21

General Fund \$9,246.00

Altar Flowers \$46.00

Missions \$40.00

Sunday School \$4.00

Little Lambs \$10.00



Fellowship Rental \$50.00

TOTAL \$9,396.00

Blessing of the Quilts was on Sunday April 18th, 2021. Thanks to the ladies for their beautiful work!! The quilts are absolutely amazing!



MAY 2021

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
2 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10am Confirmation (1 st yr students)	3	4	5 5:30pm Confirmation (2 nd Yr Students only)	6	7	8
PASTOR ON VACATION						
9 9am Worship w/ Communion 10am Sunday School MOTHER'S DAY!!	10 7pm Council Mtg	11 3pm Msg & Meditation online	12 5:30pm Confirmation (2 nd Yr Students only)	13	14 3pm Msg & Meditation online	15
PASTOR ON VACATION						
16 9am Worship Service 10am Sunday School 10am Confirmation (1 st yr students)	17	18 3pm Msg & Meditation online	19 10am Bible Study 5:30pm Confirmation (2 nd Yr Students only)	20	21 3pm Msg & Meditation online Newsletter for June & July deadline!!	22 9-11am Confirmation Exam Day
23 9am Worship w/ Communion Confirmation Sunday!! 10am Last day of Sunday School	24	25 3pm Msg & Meditation online	26 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Little Lambs Program	27 Last day of Little Lambs!	28 3pm Msg & Meditation online	29
30 9am Worship w/ Communion <i>High School Graduation!!</i>	31 Memorial Day					

COME JOIN OUR WORSHIPPING FAMILY

May 2021

For God so Loved the World



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