

St. Paul Lutheran Church

May 2023 Newsletter

SUMMER GOSPEL NIGHTS Concert Series 2023

June 4



The Everstrom's
Brook Park/Mora, MN

June 11



The Neighberz Band
North Branch, MN

June 18



Gary & Dawn
Timbs
Staples, MN

June 25



Aaron Eckman
Brook Park, MN

July 2



Jenni Thyng
North Branch,
MN

July 9



Kent Dudley & Bended Knee
Solway, MN

July 16



MN Adult/Teen Challenge, Central MN
Coffee & treats served after concert!

July 23



Roller Family Bluegrass, New Richmond, MN

July 30



Northern Lights Revisited, Brook Park, MN

August 6



The Klassen's, Worthington, MN

August 13



Holy Hootenanners, Mahtowa, MN

August 20



Highview Bluegrass Band, Webster, WI

August 28



Kenny Krona
Cambridge, MN

SUNDAY NIGHTS 6:30 pm - Concerts Free/Freewill Offering
ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hinckley
405 2nd Street NW

CHURCH NEWS



May Acolyte Schedule:

May 7th: Piper
May 14th: Noah
May 21st: Corbin
May 28th: Hunter

CHURCH GARAGE SALE!

Thursday, May 4th - 9am to 4pm

Friday May 5th - 9am to 4pm

Saturday, May 6th - 8am to noon

We are also having a bake sale, so if anyone would like to bake cookies, bars, brownies, bring them in **Wednesday, May 3rd** in the afternoon.

We are setting up on Monday May 1st at 9am,
if you can help in anyway, come on in.

Shed cleaning day is Monday May 1st at 1pm, with outside cleaning.

SAVE THE DATE!!

Vacation Bible School, is the week of *July 10th thru July 14th*. The adventure begins at *9am and goes until noon*. Bring a friend or two. All children ages three to completed sixth grade are welcome. The theme this year is *God's Living Water*.

Confirmation's last day is May 17th, 2023 . Confirmation Sunday is May 21st, 2023 during Worship service. Congrats to Noah Hickle!

Congrats to the Class of 2023!! Hayden Peterson, Everett Ausmus, Cam Welch, Bailey Gorsenger and Ben Gregg, on Sunday May 28th we will be celebrating their graduation from high school.

Youth Group Mtg on Wednesday May 17th. at 6pm

Summer Gospel Concerts: Begins on Sunday June 4th at 6:30pm. If you can help open or close the church, or anything else with concerts, talk to Wendy Kroschel.

Newsletter: Our next newsletter will be combined to include June and July 2023.

Thank you ~ To everyone that helped out at the Easter Pancake Breakfast! It was a huge success!!



Flower Chart:

May 7th: Open

May 14th: Tony and Carol Nelson.....

In loving memory of their granddaughter

May 21st: Confirmation Sunday

May 28th: In honor of Class of 2023

May 2023

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

21st: Oliver Hagen

23rd: Chelsey Bottelson
Hunter Peterson

26th: Nicole Hansen

27th: David Berquist
Rod Lawin

29th: Betty Christenson

31st: Patrick Hagen
Tim Stadler

*If we missed anyone, please let
Jennifer know!*

Prayer List:

Continue prayers for the family of JoAnn Hedtke and Ray Graber, who was called home last month.

Prayers For:

Gerry Graber, Diana Norton, Arden Gruett, Lois Kruse, Travis Swanson, Ann Klein, Lorraine Robbins, and those in our hearts and prayers.



LITTLE LAMBS



Greeting Parishioners from Little Lamb's Pre-school:

As we approach the end of April, with all the snow and rain showers, we look forward to May sunshine and flowers. On April 24th, we held an open house for new students. Please let parents with children who are at least thirty-three months old to age five that we have spots open for our summer round-up and fall start.

In our classroom, we have been learning about the events that surround Easter, and the events that happened after Jesus had risen from the dead. Students are still learning to memorize their home phone numbers and addresses. We have also been discussing oral hygiene, learning to count by five to 100 and counting from 1-20, recognizing alphabet letter, colors, shapes.

We also continue to prepare for the spring program, which will be on May 25th at 6:30 pm.



Have a great week!

Thank you,
Jason Boldt



St. Paul Lutheran Church
Unapproved Council Minutes
4-3-23

Present : Tonette Peterson, Randy Hickle, Wendy Kottke, Doug Kottke, John Frank, David Berquist, Robbie Robinson, Greg Kroschel, Rick Williams
Meeting was called to order by Randy at 7:13pm. Greg opened with prayer.

Secretary's report was accepted as presented upon motion by David and second by Rick Thank you to Robbie for filling in as chairman for the March meeting.

Treasurer's report accepted upon motion by Greg second by John
Income: \$29,810.72 Checking \$13,213.46
Expense: \$36,288.34 Savings \$33,683.14
Net Income: -\$6,477.62 (Savings includes Pastor's \$20,000 loan and memorial funds)

Pastor's report: Home visits, office visits, hospital visit, Bible Study, Confirmation, LL, CASE, Winkel, newspaper article, Lenten worship, Men's group, seminar in Duluth

Old Business

- *Roof isn't currently leaking
- *Nominating committee has a full ballot
- *Pancake breakfast is good to go
- *The sound system is working

New Business

- *Looking at ideas to keep our kids welcomed-busy bags, children's bulletins, opening CASE to the community, are possibilities
- *The batteries were replaced in the Exit signs. The fire extinguisher was placed in the shed.
- *Board of Fellowship meets the third Thursday at 1PM. A few plans in the works are new planters for the Palms in the front. A new "communication center" for the narthex. Surveys were sent out. A new directory in the near future
- *A spring clean up date will be set at the quarterly.

We adjourned at 8:00PM, upon motion by John and second by Robbie, closing with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, *Tonette Peterson, St. Paul Lutheran Church council secretary*



St. Paul Lutheran Church
Unapproved Quarterly Minutes
4-16-2023

Meeting was called to order by Randy at 10:15 with 26 members present.
Matt opened with prayer.

Secretary's report was accepted as presented upon motion by Robbie Robinson and second Jennifer Kubesh

Treasurer's report was accepted as read upon motion by Jayne Maser second by MaryAnn Lyon

Income: \$34,841.01 Checking \$16,606.44

Expense: \$37,925.65 Savings \$33,683.14

Net Income: -\$3,084.64 (Savings includes Pastor's \$20,000 loan and memorial funds)

Pastor's report: home/office visits, confirmation, funeral, youth events, circuit pastor's meeting, gospel concert, Bible Study, LL lessons, CASE, elders & council meetings, Lent & Easter worship, vacation, Men's Group, newspaper articles Elders will continue to encourage and assist in visiting and communications with members

Youth group. Rebecca reported that they've been meeting monthly and doing studies and service projects. Possible help to clean up church yard. Balance is \$5,310.19

Sunday School will wrap up 5/21

CASE is done for the year. With dwindling numbers, this will be revisited in the fall. Adult help is also needed.

LL we need enrollment to increase. There are currently 3 students. They will host an open house. Balance is \$11,770.26

VBS materials are ordered.

Board of Fellowship has been meeting and has some plans in the works, one of which is an updated directory.

Old Business

*Men's group held their first event and are planning on cleaning up a members yard as the weather permits

*Concerts are scheduled. Please take a flier and post around town

*Roof is currently not leaking. Miller's insurance is not cooperating in payment to SPLC. Our options are to hire an attorney, contact the BBB, or both. Upon motion by Jayne and second by Tracy, we will cut our losses and move on

New Business

*Voting for chairman took place. 17 Aaron Peterson, 8 John Frank. The rest of the ballot was unanimous upon motion by Sue H and second MaryAnn L. Vice Chair Toby Hickle. Elders: Greg Kroschel, Matt Maser, John Frank. Trustees: David Berquist, Doug Kottke, Bill Morgan. Council Secretary Carol Robinson. Financial Secretary Star Lawin. Treasurer Wendy Kottke.

*Inside and outside cleanup day will be May 1st at 1:00pm.

*Randy thanked many for their service and recapped the top events/updates of the last 4 years

We adjourned at 11:30AM motion Robbie R second Greg K closing with the Doxology.

Respectfully submitted, *Tonette Peterson, St. Paul Lutheran Church council secretary*

CREATION MOMENTS

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Master Artist

And out of the ground made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food... (Genesis 2:9a)



God not only is powerful and creative as Master Designer, but He is more. He is the supreme artist. For example, the Earth could get along with a lot less color. All those beautiful sunsets and sunrises actually serve no purpose, and neither does each one have to be different from every other.

Many flowers have colors that attract their pollinators, but few flowers actually need color for this purpose. But then, flowers in black and white certainly would be dull. There are many beautiful deep-sea fish that don't need their bright and beautiful colors at all. Some of these fish live so far below the surface of the water that only a small amount of blue light reaches those depths. Where these fish live, everything always looks a very dim blue. Yet, some of these fish have incredibly bright coloration that they and their friends never see.

Here we have to ask the evolutionist what value could it have been for this fish to develop all these bright colors when they can serve no purpose for survival? In Genesis 2:9 we read that when God created the fruit trees for food, He also made them "pleasant to the sight." They didn't need to be. Clearly, God does indeed appreciate beauty and has created works that human artists can only try to copy.

Ref: Gary Parker, Ed.D., "Nature's Challenges to Evolutionary Theory," Institute of Creation Research, Impact Series, No. 64. Photo: Watercress darter. Courtesy of Jörg Hempel. (CC BY-SA 3.0 Germany)

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Pastor

Rev. Mike Metzler

Church Secretary

Jennifer Kubesh

Church Newsletter

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Cydelle Klände

Organists

Sue Hickle

Connie Odendahl

Church Council



*Meets 1st Monday
each month at 7pm*

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
Fin. Sec.: Cydelle Klände
Treasurer: Wendy Kottke

**Stewardship
4/1/23 to 4/23/23**

General Fund \$10,601.56
Fellowship Rental \$50.00
Altar Flowers \$56.00
VBS \$20.00
Missions \$60.00
TOTAL \$10,787.56

May 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 7pm Council Mtg	2	3	4	5 Church Garage Sale	6
7 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School	8	9	10	11	12	13 <i>Pastor's days off</i>
14 9am Worship w/ Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School <i>Mother's Day</i>	15	16	17 10am Bible Study 3pm Confirmation 6pm Youth Grp Mtg	18	19 Newsletter Items Due for June and July	20 <i>Pastor's days off</i>
21 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School <i>Confirmation Sunday</i>	22	23	24	25 6:30pm Little Lambs Spring Program	26	27 <i>Pastor's days off</i>
28 9am Worship w/ Communion 10am Fellowship 10am Sunday School	29 Memorial Day 	30	31			

COME JOIN OUR WORSHIPPING FAMILY

May 2023

For God so Loved the World



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