



**Join us this Summer for Summer J.A.M.**

Summer J.A.M. is St. Paul's big summertime kids' and families' event! It takes place one night a week over 4 consecutive weeks in mid-summer. It's free. It's for the whole community. There are **Water Slides, Games, Bible Stories, Food** (free pizza supper), **Crafts, Songs, Friends, Fun!** Watch for your invitation and the announcement of dates to arrive in your email in June.

**St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool**

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**ST. PAUL**  
**LUTHERAN**  
CHURCH & PRESCHOOL  
SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024

## ***Welcome to St. Paul!***

**We're glad you're here!** Whether this is your first visit or you're a St. Paul veteran, we hope you sense our "welcome mat" is out and you'll consider joining us again soon any Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM, right here. Please fill out a white "Communication Card" found in front of you in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate later. And about the offering ... don't feel obligated to participate in giving because we – and God – are really glad you are here as our guest!

**Ushers are standing by to assist you** in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and to our nursery.

**Nursery is available for children ages 3 and under.** An usher will be happy to direct you to our Nursery where parents may care for infants, and rambunctious toddlers will find a place to be ... themselves.

**Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion** are encourage to thoroughly read the announcement in this bulletin explaining what Communion reception is all about.

**IN TODAY'S WORSHIP:** Fifty days after Passover (our Easter-time) came the festival of Pentecost. Jerusalem was again filled with visitors from all over the then-known world to celebrate the barley harvest. God had chosen this time centuries before, as the time He would give His Holy Spirit to begin a new harvest – a harvest of people. The Holy Spirit came to fill the first believers, empowering them to scatter the "seed." God's Word is the "seed" which gives new life through the Good News that Christ paid for all sins on the cross and rose on Easter to guarantee this forgiveness. The Holy Spirit today still empowers us, His people. He brings us to faith through the power of the Word; helps us understand the magnitude of God's love and grace to us; and takes our prayers and enhances our thoughts before God the Father's throne. Today is a great day to worship! It's a great day to thank God for all the blessings that come to us through the work of the Holy Spirit!

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant to us today that by the same Spirit we may have a right understanding in all things and that we always rejoice in the Holy Spirit's guidance and comforting. Amen.

**Altar flowers** given to the glory of God by Karla & David Staylon in memory of Florence Koehn.

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study -** Join us as we learn about the origins of God's grace in the Bible book of Genesis. You don't have to be a Bible scholar, just come! Everyone is welcome! Tuesdays @ 10 AM.

**It's a Joyful Privilege** to get to welcome a new neighbor with a very nice gift for them. This month Wanda Aschenbach gets that privilege and joy. She submitted the name of someone she knows who just moved into Amherst. You, too, can experience this joy of meeting and gifting a new neighbor. All you have to do is fill out the form by the gift basket in the narthex and stuff it in the box. Each basket is beautiful and filled with seasonal decorations, snack foods, community information, and an invitation to join us at St. Paul.

**LOVE INC** will be hosting a Vision Casting Meeting regarding their Home Repair Ministry on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 5:30 PM. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex for more information.

<b>This Week For The Lord</b>	<b>Looking Ahead One Week</b>
<b>5/19 Pentecost Sunday</b> Holy Communion 8:30 AM Worship / Kids Church 10 AM	<b>5/26</b> Worship 8:30 AM Holy Communion 10 AM
<b>5/21</b> Seasoned Saints 10 AM Board of Directors 6:30 PM Women's Ministry 7 PM	<b>5/27 Memorial Day – Church Office Closed</b>
<b>5/22</b> Preschool Picnic 11 AM Preschool Graduation 6 PM New Life With God 6:45 PM	<b>5/28</b> Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM
	<b>5/29</b> New Life With God 6:45 PM

### **Serving in God's House:**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Paul Werner
<b>Organist</b>	James Feddeck
<b>Elder</b>	John Kirschner (E) John Brabander (L)
<b>Reader</b>	Sandy Long (E) Bob Steindl (L)
<b>Greeters</b>	Cindy Klein (E) Judy Bloom (L)
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Donna Kemmerle
<b>Kids Church</b>	Janine Trottier, Lindsey Trottier
<b>Sound</b>	Mike Warnock, Dave Staylon (E) Judy Bloom (L)
<b>Head Usher</b>	Ron Fisher
<b>Ushers</b>	Dan Streza, Chuck Draga, Danny Kemery, Bob Kemmerle (E) Brad Draga (L)

**Prayer Requests this Week:**     ***“The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM.”*** Psalm 148:18

- Pray for God's blessings on Carole Naro as she has changed treatment plans for her on-going battle against cancer.
- Pray for Sherry Fisher's recovery following surgery.
- Pray for Jim Temple who has had lots of recent hospital stays and several medical issues going on.
- Pray for Audrey Neff, a 31 yr. old woman who had a stroke.
- Pray for Tim Ross, Sheryl Gregg's brother in hospice care.
- Please pray for healing in Edna Klenz's lungs.
- Please pray for Mike McHugh as his leukemia has returned.
- Pray for Gerri Deidrick whose chemotherapy is now complete. Pray that she recovers and that she is cancer-free.
- Pray for Keri who has pancreatic cancer and is experiencing complications from chemotherapy.
- Pray for 12 yr. Old Aubrey who has a tumor in her eye and is going through chemotherapy where she has lost her hair.
- Pray for Brian Harcula as he has cancer.
- Pray for Paxton Roby with cancer.
- Pat who has a brain tumor.
- Pray for Heather, a young mother of 3, who has cancer.
- Pray for Devin (mother of a preschool student) who has cancer.
- Pray for Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock).
- Pray for Randy who has bladder and prostate cancer and is starting chemotherapy.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux and Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Lil Hamilton, Marilyn Hubbard, Kuno Josupeit, Vicki Pijor, Phyllis Darakis, Gerri Deidrick.
- Pray for God to guide and bless our search process for a new Preschool Director.
- Pray for the members of Peace Lutheran Church in Warren, Michigan as their congregation holds a final worship service and closes next Sunday afternoon, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Pray that God comforts them in their loss, and that all are enfolded into a new congregation so that none are lost in faith in Jesus.