

**A Big Thank You** to everyone who served food, made crafts, helped the kids, set up tables and tents and stuff, baked cookies, prayed, saved plastic jars, invited people to attend, ran sound equipment, cleaned up, and planned – all for Summer J.A.M. 2024! Keep praying for the kids and their families that the seeds of God's love and grace take root and grow!



**EXTENDED!!** The **Community Care Team** will be collecting new school supplies to donate to the Amherst School. A collection box will be in the narthex until **Sunday, August 11th**. The school counselor suggested when buying paper or notebooks please buy college rule. Also, they get many requests for dry erase markers. Thank you for your continued support!

### St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

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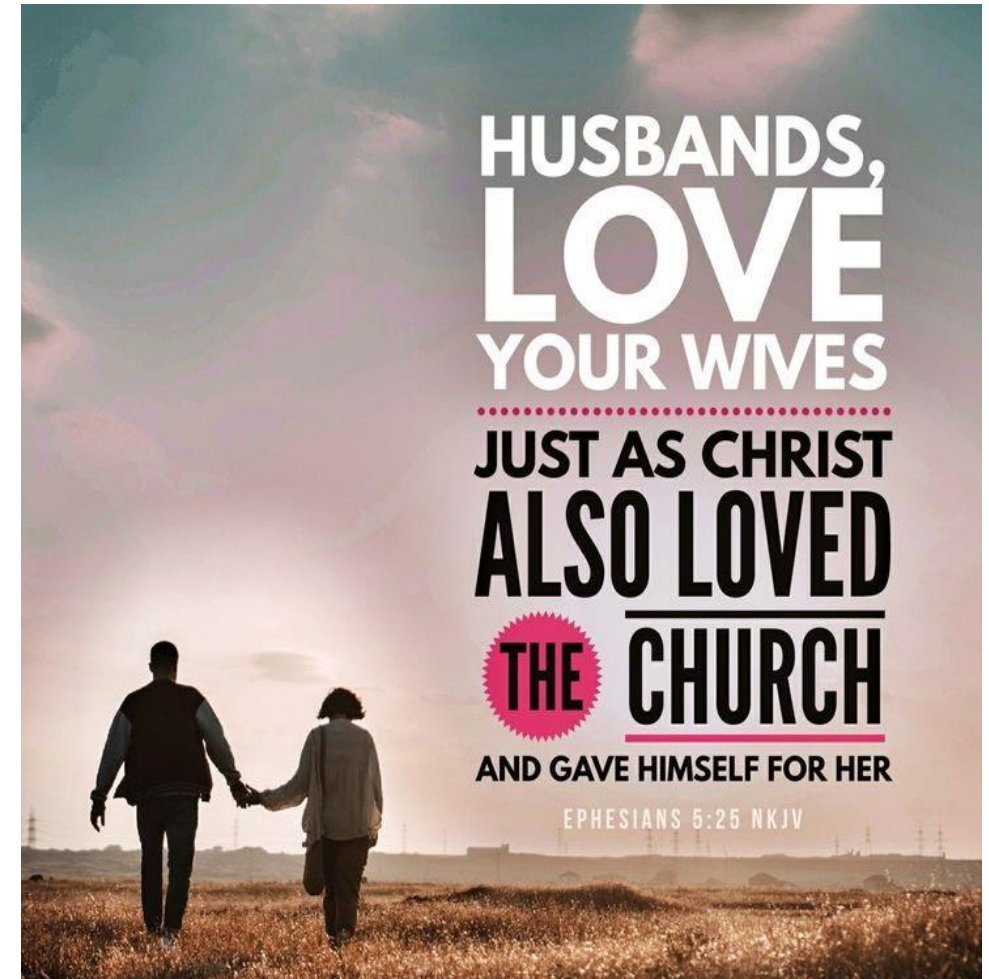
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024

## ***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 encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement in this bulletin explaining what Communion reception is all about.

**IN TODAY'S WORSHIP:** We focus on the Sixth Commandment with the theme, "Love Your Spouse."

### **THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT**

#### ***[God's Gift of Marriage]***

You shall not commit adultery.

*What does this mean?*

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

~ Dr. Martin Luther, The Small Catechism

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** O Lord, visit the homes in which Your people dwell, and keep all harm and danger far from them. Grant that we dwell together in peace under the protection of Your angels, sharing eternally in Your blessings; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Altar Flowers given to the glory of God** by the Gramer Family in celebration of Diane Gramer's.



**OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY - Sunday, August 4 @ 10AM.** Meet under the shade of the big maple trees on the front lawn of the parsonage, along Central Drive. In case of rain, we move inside. We also plan to worship outdoors on Sunday, September 1st.

**CHANGES IN AUGUST WORSHIP SERVICES** – Holy Communion will be offered in worship at both worship services today, Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and at both worship services on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Holy Communion will not be offered Sundays August 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. On Sundays August 11 & 18 some of our Elders will be leading the worship services Pastor has prepared, and sermons will take place by video. Pastor Paul will be on vacation the two middle Sundays of August and we have not been able to find a pastor within an hour's drive to substitute to preach and celebrate Holy Communion. Many retired pastors are committed to churches without a pastor, and so this is the reality of the growing need for more pastors.

***Happy Times*** is a simple, easy-to-use resource to help families with preschool school-aged children share faith in Christ at home. *Happy Times* is full of age-appropriate stories, games, puzzles, and activities. Booklets are free, and the August / September edition is available today on the resource wall in the lower narthex/lobby

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study will not meet** this week and next, Tuesdays August 6 and 13. Join us Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> @ 10AM as we discover in the Bible book of Genesis God's loving faithfulness in spite of our human mess-ups and flaws. Just come and try it! You don't have to be a Bible scholar. Everyone is welcome!

**Pastor Paul will be on vacation** beginning tomorrow, Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, and returning to the church office on Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. In case of an emergency when you need a pastor, you may reach Pastor Bill Mugnolo at (585)472-0266.

**Summer Themed Gift for Your New Neighbor.** A new neighbor moved in next to Marylou and Don Gramer and will be receiving the amazing gift basket filled with summertime gifts and info about the community and St. Paul! Sign up today to give to *your* new neighbor one of these baskets and you'll see how delighted people are to receive one! It's a great way to meet a new neighbor and invite them to church. All you need to do is write down the address on an entry form in the narthex.

**A HUGE THANK YOU!!** To everyone who helped plan, volunteer, and donate for last Sunday's breakfast. We raised \$151.00 for Amherst School Foster Kids.

**Floor Waxing** The fellowship hall and kitchen will be waxed today after the late service. Please refrain from entering for the next 3 days or so. Any questions contact Steve Warnock.

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

- Pray for the kids and families that participated in Summer J.A.M. that the seeds of Jesus' love and truth grow in their hearts.
- Pray for the family of Dorothy Mitiska, a former long-time member of St. Paul and Children's Choir Director. Dorothy died and went home to heaven on Monday night, 7/29 after a short illness.
- Pray for John Schick as he recovers from a serious neck injury. He is in rehab on the campus of Metro Hospital in Cleveland.
- Pray for Billy Swanzer's broken ankle to heal.
- Pray for Sandy (Barb Spieker's daughter) who is recovering from surgery.
- Pray for Ron Klein's to regain his strength.
- Pray for Don Lamoreaux who is home recovering and trying to get his strength back.
- Please pray for Morgan (niece of Darren Conley) going through medical testing.
- Pray for Ron who suffers with intense back pain.
- Pray for Kristy Anglebrandt (Sue Werner's niece) who is very sick and in the hospital, and pray that doctors can figure out what's wrong and how to help her.
- Pray for Tim Ross, Sheryl Gregg's brother in hospice care.
- Pray for Kevin, nephew of John Brabander, who has cancer.
- Pray for Keri who has pancreatic cancer and is experiencing complications from chemotherapy.
- Pray for 12 yr. old Aubrey who is going through proton radiation therapy at Ohio State University Hospital. Pray that she gets rid of the cancer in her eye.
- Pray for Floyd who has cancer in his back.
- Pray for Brian Harcula as he has cancer.
- Pray for Noal, a friend of Cyndi Kemery, who has lung cancer.
- Pray for Paxton Roby with cancer.
- Pray for Carole who is undergoing chemo treatment.
- 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 the grieving family of Heather, a young mother of 3, who lost her battle with cancer.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux, Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko, Betty Heck, Joanie Fahrney, Ron Klein.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Diane Gramer, Tyler Moore, Lily Draga, Zach Hargreaves, Nick Street, Tim Street, June Tatum.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
<b>8/4 Food Collection</b> Holy Communion 8:30 AM Holy Communion / Outdoor Worship 10 AM Floor waxing fellowship hall 12 PM <b>8/5 Church Office Closed</b> <b>8/6 No Seasoned Saints</b> Women's Ministry 7 PM	<b>8/11</b> Worship 8:30 AM & 10 AM <b>8/13 No Seasoned Saints</b> Women's Ministry 7 PM

**Serving in God's House:**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Paul Werner
<b>Organists</b>	James Feddeck
<b>Elder</b>	John Kirschner (E) Bob Steindl (L)
<b>Reader</b>	Sandy Long (E) Sue Werner (L)
<b>Greeters</b>	Cindy Klein (E) Karen Anderson (L)
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Wanda Aschenbach, Karla Staylon
<b>Sound</b>	Mike Warnock, Virginia Warnock (E)
<b>Head Usher</b>	Ron Fisher
<b>Ushers</b>	John Cartmell (E) Clyde Strader (L)