

LENT AT ST. PAUL



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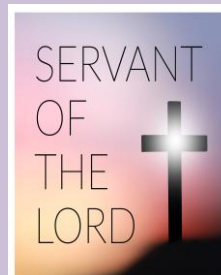
Join us every Wednesday night @ 7pm, now thru Wed. April 9th.



Wednesday, March 12th the ladies of the Tuesday evening Women’s Bible study group are preparing and serving the Lent Fellowship Meal. The menu is: Chicken Paprikash

LENTEN DAILY DEVOTIONS - Pick up your Servant of the Lord devotion booklet for Lent in the narthex (lobby) at St. Paul. They are free. You can have these devotions emailed to you every day if you wish. Sign up at www.lhm.org/devotions

In Servant of the Lord, we see Jesus as God’s Son and our Redeemer. He has made the Heavenly Father known to us. All this Jesus did as God’s chosen Servant, sent from heaven to earth to be our King, Savior, and trusted Friend.



ST. PAUL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH & PRESCHOOL
SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

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 11:00 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: Lent is a season that calls us to reflect on the great love that Christ has for us – a love so great that it moves Him to die. We are not only to reflect on Christ's love, but reflect out His love to the world, as Jesus Himself commands: ***"Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another"*** *John 13:34*. This Lent season we look at some of the ways we can reflect Jesus' love, using Paul's description of what love is from 1 Corinthians 13. Today we rejoice that God is patient with us so that we do not lose His priceless gifts.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Lord Your love is patient; we give You thanks for all those who have been patient with us and have taught and cared for us; and we pray for the patience to love others as you have loved us. Amen.

A New Neighbor around the corner from Pastor Paul's house is receiving the amazing "welcome to the neighborhood" gift basket. You can do it too! (It's a lot of fun to meet your neighbors ... and give them such a nice gift!) Just fill out a form by the gift basket in the narthex/lobby, put it in the box, and you could be blessing your new neighbor next month.



GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER

Sunday Mornings 9:45 AM to 10:45AM

• Bible Study • Discussion • Fellowship

Come and see Jesus' life and ministry through the Bible Book of Luke. Today is a great day to try it out.

Fellowship Dinners We are looking for groups of members to help with the fellowship dinners. Call Judy Bloom if you are interested 440-984-2288.



The Community Care Team will be collecting donations of NEW pillows, Twin Size Bedding Sets, and Twin Size Comforters through the month of March. Good Knights of Lorain County make beds, delivers, and assembles them for children in Lorain County. Every child deserves a Good Night.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
3/9 Worship 8:30 G.I.F.T. Bible Study 9:45 AM Holy Communion / Kids Church 11 AM Divorce Care 3 PM 3/11 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Preschool Board 1 PM Women's Bible Study 7 PM 3/12 New Life With God 9:30 AM Fellowship Supper 5:45 PM Lenten Service 7 PM 3/12-13 Preschool Conferences MWF 3/13 Men's BBB @ Brew Kettle 7 PM 3/14 No Preschool	3/16 Holy Communion 8:30 G.I.F.T. Bible Study 9:45 AM Worship / Kids Church 11 AM Divorce Care 3 PM 3/18 Seasoned Saints 10 AM 3/19 New Life With God 9:30 AM Fellowship Supper 5:45 PM Lenten Service 7 PM 3/20 Guest Hospitality Team 1 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Elders	Chuck Draga (E) Bob Steindl (L)
Organist/Piano	Owen Reyda
Readers	Bryan Draga (L)
Acolyte	Gwen Krupp
Greeters	Chuck & Fran Draga (L)
Altar Guild	Wanda Aschenbach
Sound	Mike Warnock, Virginia Warnock, Billy Swanzer
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	Jeff Krupp, Steve Warnock (E) Bryan Draga, Charles Draga (L)

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

115 Central Drive, Amherst, Ohio 44001

Sunday Worship Services: 8:30AM & 10AM

In-Person or Live Stream @ www.stpaulamherst.com

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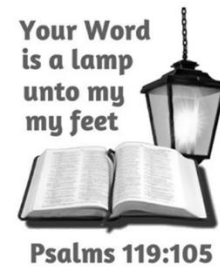
Tracie Heuring - Interim Director of Preschool

Mike Warnock - Director of Worship Technology

Owen Reyda - Director of Music Ministries

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

- Pray for Deby, Scott, and all the Lasko family. Andy's body has been unresponsive and he was taken off life-support machines last week.
- Pray for Marylou Gramer, Diane Gramer and Sherry Fisher as Don Gramer is in hospice and he is weak.
- Pray for Harold Gibson who has a serious problem with his aorta, and he is in ICU at U-H Main. Pray that the doctors will be able to successfully operate to repair his aorta, and that Harold is strong enough to survive another surgery. Pray for Debbie as she cares for him while their home is for sale and a move to a condo impending.
- Pray for Ken Vilagi recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Pray for Gavin, and 18 yr.-old who is severely depressed.
- Pray for Earl Mullins and his family. He has not long to live.
- Pray for Tim Ross, Sheryl Gregg's brother in hospice care.
- Pray for Laurie, a friend of Sandy Long, who fell breaking a hip, elbow, and has a concussion.
- Pray for Judy Starbuck's close friend, Barb, receiving treatment for cancer.
- Pray for Therese Strader as she starts treatment soon for lung cancer.
- Pray for Nancy Dau, as her cancer has returned for the 3rd time and she is starting treatment.
- Pray for Zack, a friend of Cyndi Kemery, who has cancer.
- Pray for Tracy, who has cancer and is receiving radiation.
- Pray for Devin Jarvis, a young wife and mother who has a type of cancer that has been very hard to treat.
- Pray for Beth, friend of Judy Bloom, starting radiation treatment soon.
- Pray for Keri who has pancreatic cancer and is experiencing complications from chemotherapy.
- Pray for Floyd who has cancer in his back and started chemotherapy.
- Pray for Brian Harcula as he has cancer.
- Pray for Lorie, Cyndi Kemery's cousin, who has non-Hodgkins Lymphoma.
- Pray for Paxton Roby with cancer.
- Pray for Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock).
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or are home-bound: Janice Ingersol, Mike McHugh, Ruth Williams, Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux, Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, John Harden, Andy Lasko, Betty Heck, Joanie Fahrney, Ron Klein, Joan Ackerman.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Gisela Bachman, Anita Labella, Lynn Czajkowski,



Where God's Word is active, by being read, and discussed, and applied to our lives, there the Holy Spirit is active, strengthening God's people in faith and for service. We need us all to be empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Plug into a Bible Study this week.

Get Refreshed mid-week with Tuesday Morning Bible Study - You are invited this week Tuesday @ 10AM. You'll meet some friends, find encouragement, enjoy home-baked cookies, and grow in faith. Try it out this Tuesday as we see God setting His people free from slavery in Egypt, and discover His grace and power in our lives. We meet in the upper level. You don't have to be a Bible scholar. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Bible Study Group - Tuesday Nights @ 7 PM Resumes Tuesday January 7th. Women are always invited to the women's group that meets in the church parsonage every Tuesday night. You'll make wonderful friends, grow in faith, and engage in caring lively discussion about living everyday as a Christian and woman. We are just beginning a new discussion, "Meant for Good."

Men's "Brotherhood, Bibles, & Brew" Hey guys, join us to talk over a challenge men face following Christ, while sipping on "Lutheran Pop." We meet at **The Brew Kettle**, 300 Church Street in Amherst. Join us this week **Thursday, March 13th, at 7:00 PM.**

Please Fill-Out A Communication Card which is found in the pew rack. So that we can send you an invitation to St. Paul's 150th Anniversary, we ask EVERY HOUSEHOLD to fill out a SEPARATE card, leaving your correct address in the notes section. Use one card per household. Please place your Communication Card in the offering plate as it is passed in today's worship service.

Would You Share St. Paul Memories? A Display Cabinet is in the narthex to display old keepsakes from St. Paul's past. If you have photos of events, or certificates from a baptism, confirmation, or marriage from years past, we'd like to display and share them with the congregation. Karen Saegert would love to talk with you, and you can reach her at: (440)990-7002, or ksaegert925@gmail.com

Red Cross 1st Aid/CPR Certification: The training class is being sponsored by Troop 428 of Amherst and the class will take place on Saturday, March 15, 2025, at the Beaver Creek Sportsman's Club located at 12131 Quarry Road, Elyria. The cost of the class is \$25 (including a light lunch). Anyone interested in registering for the class and or additional information please contact Stephen Warnock at 216-233-7572.