

GOOD NEWS



St. Paul Lutheran Church

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9:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast 100.1 FM

Pastor: Tim W. Muehlbrad

Director of Youth & Family – Nicholas Requejo

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT:

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to make Christ known;

*As we love one another, serve our neighbor, and grow in our Faith
through studying God's Word and Worshiping God*



There was a time in our pioneer society when a person was born and lived and died in the same community, the same congregation and was sustained by the same order of values. That person seldom traveled more than 40 miles from home. The little news received from the world was often weeks or months old by the time it was heard.

This day is largely gone.

Our children are growing up in a world of swift change. When they grow up, they live and work in many parts of the world. Their friends and associates may have convictions and values utterly different from theirs. They are caught up in the many forces that seek to dislodge the convictions and values that they learned as children.

As never before, it is important that we give them a faith to live by, values to defend, and a meaningful life to live. It is not enough that we give them skills and knowledge or money and property. They will need the strong roots of faith, the unerring compass of sensitive conscience, the high vision of an undying hope. They need God!

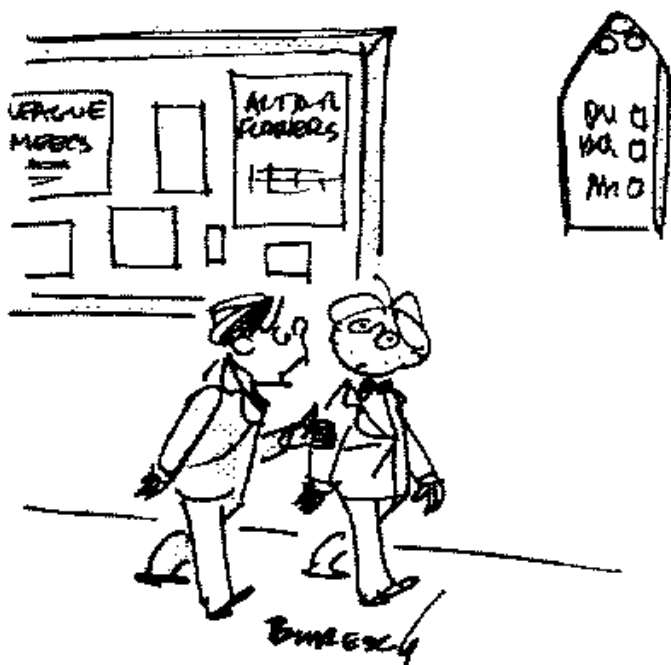
In our Christian Education programs, a great army of dedicated teachers, staff, and volunteers become allies of Christian homes in the important task of opening children's minds and hearts to the riches of a life with God. It is a mission more important than fighting wars or reaching new planets. It is the supreme task of the Church.

Floods may come, winds may blow, fires may burn, pandemics may spread, but the life that has its roots deep in

an abiding faith in God will not be destroyed. We will walk firm and strong in this life and will inherit everlasting life.

Support our Christian Education programs with prayers, time, service and cooperation and keep the faith strong in your homes.

Your Pastor,
Tim W Muehlbrad



"Be careful of the new teacher.
She gets you interested in the
lesson before you can disrupt
the class."



Please continue to pray! It may seem like everything is back to normal but things are not. I say hats off to our leaders of the church. We have managed to function rather smoothly in this epidemic. For being caught off guard we sure have adapted very well.

With that being said please be on the lookout for our Teen Talks. Teen Talks are for now our senior high youth bible studies. In August, we covered what it meant to be a young Christian and the various troubles that will come our way. In September we focused on money. Now in October, we look at spiritual warfare and how life on this earth ends. I post videos every Wednesday on our Facebook page. You can copy the link and text the link to your kids or you can watch the videos with them (preferred method). Each video is no more than 15 minutes. I believe that is a very reasonable time frame and since the material is in video format you can look at them at your leisure. Should you not be connected to our Facebook page then send me an email or text me and I will directly give you the link to our Teen Talks. If you are the curious type and want to know what is going on, then again, let me know and I will happily share the videos with you as well.

I don't have much else to say. I'll see some of you around at the football and volleyball games this year. Go Wildcats! I would greatly appreciate anyone who is selling merchandise to talk with me as I need more Wildcat T-shirts. And if there are any Pirates or Gobblers come sell to me!

God bless, wear your mask, stay safe, wash your hands and continue to pray!

Peace,
Nicholas Requejo
Family & Youth Director
St. Paul Lutheran



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 8, 2020

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting of the Church Council of St. Paul Lutheran Church was called to order by Clem Waskow, president. Council members present for the meeting were Pastor Tim Muehlbrad, Clem Waskow, Cathy Moritz, Linda Peyton, Linda Hurta, Calvin Bruns, Nicholas Requejo, Michael Melanson, Judy Taylor, Martha Geffert, and Kristin Schustereit. Also attending was Katie Serrano.
- 2) **DEVOTION** The devotion was given by Judy Taylor.
- 3) **MINUTES** The minutes from August 11, 2020, were approved as printed with no corrections.
- 4) **REPORTS**
 - a) **Treasurer** – Calvin reported: The balance in the General Fund as of August 31, 2020, was \$287,432.00. The balance in the Building Fund was \$16,501.45. Calvin Bruns made a motion to accept to report as written. Linda Hurta seconded the motion. The motion carried.
 - b) **Stewardship** – Calvin reported: Plans for the 2021 barbecue fundraiser are in the works. It will be held February 14, and everything will be done at the Community Hall.
 - c) **Parish Education** – Linda Hurta reported: Sunday School lessons will be mailed out for the next two weeks. They would like to resume face to face classes beginning October 4.
 - d) **Youth** – Nothing to report.

- e) **Family/Youth Director** – Nicholas reported: Football games have begun. He is continuing to produce videos for the youth.
- f) **Worship** – Pastor Tim reported: Christmas Eve services are being considered and planned.
- g) **Evangelism/Outreach** – Martha reported: An article has been put in the Victoria Advocate for Pastor Appreciation.
- h) **Social Concerns** – Judy Taylor reported: There will be a flu vaccine clinic in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, October 7th, from 4:00-6:00pm.
- i) **Christian Life** – Cathy Moritz reported: They hosted a movie night with COVID-19 safety precautions in place on August 21. There were 9 in attendance, and they found it to be a welcomed opportunity for fellowship. Special thanks to Larry Gohmert for his technical assistance.
- j) **Property** – Michael reported: The following items have been worked on/addressed: Replaced pull cord on ceiling fan in infant room – a remote was purchased for easier access to control speed; Riding mower has been repaired and maintained; Freon was added to the A/C in the TLG lunchroom; Trees continued to be trimmed; Gravel for cemetery will be purchased; It was noted some water had come in through the Bell Tower in the Sanctuary during our last large rainfall.
- k) **Cemetery** – No report.
- l) **CEM** – Nothing to add to report.
- m) **Pastor** – Professional activities during August 2020 included: 10 worship services, 2 home visits, 5 church meetings and events, 3 burials. Pastor attended online NALC Convocation on August 7th and 8th with Bill Klaevemann and Ray Lange. E-Giving contributions continue to increase: August's total was \$1,662.24.

5) OLD BUSINESS

- a) **Stained Glass Windows Repair** – Clem reported everything is on schedule as of now. Bill Klaevemann will be getting pictures of all windows before work begins. More pleas for financial support for this project will be announced. Work should begin mid-October.

b) Coronavirus

- 1. Sanitation** – Waiting on sprayer to arrive.
- 2. Sunday Service** – No new changes at this time.
- 3. Saturday Service** – No new changes at this time
- 4. Sunday School** – No new changes at this time.
- 5. Youth** – No new changes at this time.
- 6. Funerals** – Services can be held with 25% capacity.
- 7. Weddings** – No new changes at this time.
- 8. Other meetings and Functions** – No new changes at this time. Voting will be held in the Fellowship Hall, as usual, as well as a flu vaccine clinic.
- 9. Fellowship Hall Rentals** – We will continue to keep rentals on hold until further notice.
- 10. Church Office** – No new changes at this time.

6) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Annual Meeting** – We will need at least 50 voting members present. It has to be held on one of the last two Sundays in January. The only business so far is the election and budgets.
- b) Nominations** – The nominating committee is working on positions that need to be filled.
- c) Committee Budgets** – Budget requests for committees need to be turned in by the beginning of November.
- d) Ratification of NALC Constitutional Changes** – Pastor has not received formal wording of changes that will need to be addressed, but there will be three different items:
 - 1.** The way the NALC reports to congregations.
 - 2.** How many lay members may a congregation send?
 - 3.** Changing convocation from annual to bi-annual.
- e) Pastor Vacation Nov. 10-17 (Weekend of Nov. 14-15)**

7) CLOSING - The meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristin Schustereit

2020 COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT – Clemens Waskow – 275-4095
 SECRETARY – Kristin Schustereit – 649-0946
 PARISH ED – Linda Hurta – 491-1928
 STEWARDSHIP – Calvin Bruns – 550-3283
 WORSHIP – Jay Heil – 564-3780
 CHRISTIAN LIFE – Cathy Moritz – 830-305-8628
 PROPERTY – Michael Melanson – 491-1973
 SOCIAL CONCERNS – Judy Taylor – 564-3894
 YOUTH – Linda Peyton – 935-0029
 EVANGELISM/OUTREACH – Martha Geffert - 648-0168

Financial Report

GENERAL FUND		BUILDING FUND	
	YTD 2020		YTD 2020
Beginning Balance	88,345.51	Beginning Balance	46,581.29
Income	428,257.94	Income	55,290.54
Expenses	<u>*(459,934.53)</u>	Expenses	<u>(80,767.02)</u>
Ending Balance	56,668.92	Ending Balance	21,104.81
Investment	245,193.39		
TOTAL	301,862.31		

Totals as of 9/22/2020

*Includes \$50,000.00 transferred into the investment account



**Newsletter deadline is Monday,
October 19, 2020. Make sure you
get your articles in!**



October is Pastor Appreciation month. Let's take a moment to thank Pastor Tim for all of his hard work and dedication to this Congregation!

***1 Thessalonians 5:12-13** Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance. Show them great respect and wholehearted love because of their work. And live peacefully with each other.*



Thank you so much for all of your cards, texts, phone calls, gifts and food while I was recovering from my surgery. Knowing that I work with such a caring congregation warms my heart. Special thank you to Linda Hurta and Cathy

Moritz for filling in for me while I was out!

Thanks again,

Katie

Church Secretary

Sunday School News:

Once again we are re-opening Sunday School classes on Sunday, October 4, 2020. We are going to try to follow CDC

Recommendations. Just like school, we will be conducting temperature checks upon arrival. We are looking forward to seeing everyone back in class!



FLU SHOTS



Everyone will need to bring a current insurance card. If you have insurance, there will be no charge.

Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2020

Time: 4:00-6:00 PM

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall

Cost is covered by Medicare and insurance. \$20 charge for those without insurance for Fluzone. \$50 for Flublok (Recommended vaccine for ages 65+)

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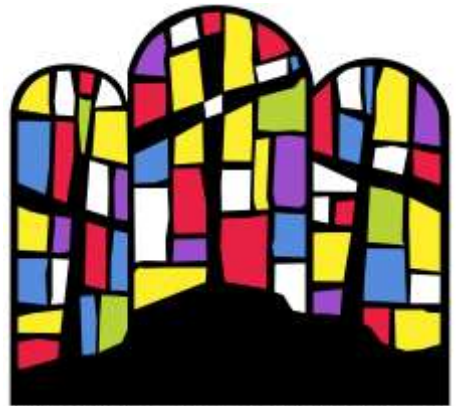
Questions? Call 361-275-8999



*Members of St. Paul
Lutheran Church,
Thank You
for
Your
Thoughtfulness.*

*We are so grateful for your
continued support through your
financial donations and
prayers for our mission.
Thank you,
The Members of the DeWitt
County Galiel Project*

*In June, the council
approved restoring the
stained glass windows
in the Sanctuary. We
need your help to offset
the cost of this project.*



Stained Glass Windows Restoration

Care Facility Residents



Yorktown Manor – Robbie Boldt, Katherine Brown, Genell Flessner, Margret Jendrzej, Mary Ann Pfeifer, and Jean Striedel

Cuero Nursing & Rehabilitation Center – Daniel Goehring, Peggy Laging

Brookdale Senior Living – Victoria - Jean Herwig

Stevens Healthcare of Yoakum – Edra (Sandy) Mazurkiewicz

**The church office appreciates your help in keeping this list up to date. Please notify us of any corrections or additions to this list. Thank you.*

We keep in our prayers the family and friends of:



Ernell Niemeier – who passed away September 7, 2020. Services were held September 10, 2020.

Ruth Brandt – who passed away September 16, 2020. Services were held September 19, 2020.

May the power of the resurrection continue to provide them assurance.



August 27, 2020

Dear: St. Paul Lutheran Church

We would like to express our deepest gratitude for your contribution to our church. Your donation and prayer are very important to us. Our church would not be successful without people like you and your Support.

We always believe that through a movement of gospel, it brings the formation of a peaceful and healthy community, social justice with love and peace with God in our hearts. Our Church conducts activities that enable everyone to experience and feel the teachings of God.

May this letter serve as a receipt document of your donation.

Donation: \$ 10,000.00

May God's love be always with you and your family.

Att:

Pastor: Juan Portillo

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A COPY OF
THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER BEFORE IT
EVER GOES IN THE MAIL AND SAVE
MONEY AS WELL?



If so, contact the church office (stpaulykt@sbcglobal.net) with your e-mail address so you can receive the GOOD NEWS via your e-mail. This will save the church money spent on stamps, paper and copying plus saving the time needed to copy/fold/bundle! What a great stewardship idea!



St. Paul Lutheran Church is now offering eGiving! In addition to the other ways of giving, a new option is available, Visit our website at www.stpaulykt.org and click on the link eGiving and it will lead you through process. For more information, call the church office at 361-564-2135.

A photograph of the steeple of St. Paul Lutheran Church, featuring a cross on top, set against a clear blue sky. The image is partially obscured by a dark purple banner at the bottom.

***SUPPORTING THE CHURCH
IS EASY WITH eGIVING***

In just seconds, you can make a weekly offering, respond to an appeal or pay for events and programs.

Visit www.stpaulykt.org

Get started today! Visit our church website to set up your online contribution.



What's happening at The Learning Garden!!

We are continuing to follow guidelines and protocols for COVID-19. Our numbers are starting to grow, and we would love for things to just go back to normal. However, that is not going to happen anytime soon.

Trainings are continuing to be done online or through Zoom.

Tracie and Shawn will be attending the TXAEYC Conference Via Zoom this month. They hope to learn a lot of new things to bring back to the center.

Texas Rising Star is up for an unannounced visit however, due to COVID we don't know when that will happen.

Texas School Ready is gearing back up for our Preschool and Prekindergarten classes.

Enrollment/Teaching Staff:

Classroom	Children	Spots Available	Waitlist Children	Teachers Full Time	Teachers Part Time	Teachers on a Leave of Absence
Infant Room (6 weeks -12 mths)	8	0	5	3	1	
Toddler (13 mths ~ 23 mths)	10	2	0	2	1	
Twos Room (2s)	11	4	0	3		
Preschool (3s)	10	5	0	2		1
Prekindergarten Room (4s)	3	12	0	1	1	1
After School (5 yrs. ~ 9 yrs.)	10	0	0		1	
Total	52	23	5	11	4	2

Director

Tracie (Full Time)

Cook

Estela (Full Time)

Housekeeper

Elida (Part Time)

Substitutes

Alexis (Part Time)

Janice (Part Time)

Summer Workers:

Nicole (Part Time)



In memory of Doug Florence – Stained Glass Windows

Calvin & Beverly Bruns

In memory of Iris Curry – Building

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

In memory of Nelda Winslette – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Nelda Winslette – Building

Barbara Kerlick

In memory of Lorene Koopmann – Stained Glass Windows

Calvin & Beverly Bruns

Luellen Smiley

Victor Riske

Ann Adix

In memory of Lorene Koopmann – Building

Barbara Mueller

Gail Morton

Oleta Pattillo

Roger & Deborah Geffert

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

Beth K. Sievers

Gary & Charlene Butler

Bonnie Stepanski

Loris Maddox

Bill & Diana Thibodeaux

David & Lynn Norris

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Glen & Judy Henze

Daniel E. Gohmert

In memory of Ted Mazurkiewicz – Stained Glass Windows

Luellen Smiley

Victor Riske

In memory of Ted Mazurkiewicz – Building

Barbara Mueller

Oleta Pattillo

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

Beth K. Sievers

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Jean Gohmert – Stained Glass Windows

Luellen Smiley

Ann Adix

In memory of Jean Gohmert – Building

Oleta Pattillo

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Baker

Jeff & Drenda Hall

Loris Maddox

Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of William Johnson – Cemetery

Victor Riske

In memory of William Johnson – Building

Oleta Pattillo Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Nathan Mueller – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Nathan Mueller – Building

Charles & Bonnie Riedesel Audrey Balcar

In memory of Thomas Smiley – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Thomas Smiley – Building

Jeff & Drenda Hall Sonny & Betty Ann Seifert

Glen & Judy Henze Mr. & Mrs. Keith Lemke

Audrey Balcar

In memory of Clifton Jacob – Building

Glen & Judy Henze Beth K. Sievers

In memory of Raymond Ibrom – Stained Glass Windows

Victor Riske

In memory of Raymond Ibrom – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Junell Goehring – Stained Glass Windows

Helen Breed Ann Adix

In memory of Junell Goehring – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Gary Podsim – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Elorine Domann – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Henry Borgfeld – Stained Glass Windows

Ann Adix

In memory of Henry Borgfeld – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Marvin Bade – Stained Glass Windows

John & Ruth Roller

In memory of Marvin Bade – Building

Audrey Balcar

In memory of Glen Partis – Building

Audrey Balcar

In memory of Clarence Strait – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Claudie Campbell – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Billie von Roeder – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Clifton Jacob – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Roman Baacke – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Dr. McAda – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Elorine Domann – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Arline Rogge – Building

Glen & Judy Henze

In memory of Annie Domann – Building

Audrey Balcar

In memory of Willie Goehring – Building

Manroy & Gracie Wolpman

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – Cemetery

Steven & Debbie Kneese Lyn Janssen

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – CEM

Roland & Gail Riedesel

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – Stained Glass Windows

Bill & Carolyn Bargmann

Ann Adix

Glen & Judy Henze

Ricky & Judy Hilbrich

Jesse & Linda Hurta

James & Wanda Rohan Family

Velma Lee Moritz

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – Building

Rodney & Donna Seidel

Raymond & Glynda Schulle

Robert & M'Liss Moore

Thomas & Bonnie Stepanski

Randy & Shannon Franke

James & Brenda Nash

Rick & Peggy Savage

Aaron & Erin Koopmann

In memory of Ernell Niemeier – Building, cont'd

Dennis & Jeanette Niemeier	Carl & Sharon Matejek
Joan Braun	Glenn & Dionis Winsauer
A. Stepanski	Arlen & Kathie Fehner
Wryston Fischer	Billy & Wysenda Fischer
Alvin & Mallie Stanchos	Scott Straube
Mary Lou Gerhardt	Barbara J. Mueller
Dorothy Mayfield	Byron & Barbara Cramer
Carlton & Sandra Bolting	David & Patsy Ibrom
Darryl & Melanie Buchhorn	Ray & Doris Isley
Victoria Farm Equipment	Chuck Rooney
Wilton Niemeier	The Larry Serold Family
Boehm Tractor Sales	Keller Associates
John D. Hurst	Bill Klaevemann

In memory of Ruth Brandt – Radio

Dr. & Mrs. John Frels

In memory of Ruth Brandt – Windows

Jesse & Linda Hurta	Velma Lee Moritz
Ricky & Judy Hilbrich	

In memory of Ruth Brandt – CEM

Alvin & Mallie Stanchos	Roland & Gail Riedesel
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In memory of Ruth Brandt – Cemetery

Steven & Debbie Kneese	Lyn Janssen
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In memory of Ruth Brandt – Building

Joyce M. Lamprecht	Byron & Barbara Cramer
Arlen & Kathie Fehner	

**Gifts in memory and in honor of are as of September 21, 2020.*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OCTOBER 2020

Sunday, October 4, 2020 – 18th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalm: Psalm 80:7-14

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:4b-14

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46



Sunday, October 11, 2020 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost



First Lesson: Isaiah 25:1-9

Psalm: Psalm 23

Second Lesson: Philippians 4:1-9

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Sunday, October 18, 2020 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

First Lesson: Isaiah 45:1-7

Psalm: Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22



Sunday, October 25, 2020 – Reformation Sunday



First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm: Psalm 46

Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Gospel: John 8:31-36

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