

May Messages

May 10th & 11th- "Christianity in An Age of Spirituality" Acts 17:16-31

May 17th & 18th- "Being One" John 17:1-11

May 24th "The Gifts of Pentecost" Acts 2:1-21

May 31st & June 1st "Unpacking the Great Commission" Matthew 28:16-20



Welcome both members and visitors to worship. If you are a visitor and do not have a church home, we invite you to consider this congregation as a place for you to grow through God's Word in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Contact Pastor Krenz (618-363-0121) with any questions on this congregation, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and/or the process of church membership. If you are a visitor, feel free to leave us your address in the attendance folder. It is also in that folder you can see our belief and practice concerning the Lord's Supper.

Sunday, May 10 Mothers Day

8 am Divine Service

9:15 am Adult Bible Study -Fellowship Hall

SS Children, Youth Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Service

Monday, May 11

Count Team 2:

L. Schmidt; T. Search; T. Dinkelman;

6:30 pm Divine Service

Tuesday, May 12

7:15 am Men's Bible Study

9 am Quilters

11:30 am Pre-School Chapel

4:30 pm Trustees

5:30 pm Eve's St. Paul's Committee Mtg

6:30 pm Elders Mtg

Wednesday, May 13

4 pm Food Pantry Open

Thursday, May 14

12 pm Columbia Clergy Mtg

5:30 pm Eve's Restoration Board Mtg

Friday, May 15

2 pm Bria Nursing Home Worship

3:30 pm Garden Place Worship

4:30 pm Adult Information Class

6:30 pm VBS Volunteers Mtg

Saturday, May 16

Sunday, May 17

8 am Divine Service

9:15 am Adult Bible Study -Fellowship Hall

SS Children, Youth Bible Study

10:30 am Divine Service

4 pm Life with God Class

Thank you to the Handbell Choir Director, Mark Eischer, and choir members for enhancing worship this past year with your musical gifts.



Beginning 5/31 Sundays

9 am Divine Worship Service

10:15 am Bible Study for all Ages

Mondays

6:30 pm Divine Worship Service

Summer Adult Bible Study and

SS will meet May 31st thru July 5th

following the 9 am service

Thank You! To our volunteers...

Sunday, May 10 8 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Elder: Mark Eischer

Greeter/Usher: Lisa Schmidt

Acolyte: Nathan Schmoll

Screens: Josh Colyer

Video: Aiden Colyer

Sunday, May 10 10:30 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Elder: Charlie Consolino

Greeter: Jane Stumpf

Acolyte: Paloma Niehaus

Screens: Kevin Koenigstein

Monday, May 11 6:30 pm

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Elder: Glenn Grebing

Greeter/Usher:

Sunday, May 17 8 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Elder: Scott Moeslein

Greeter/Usher: Lisa Schmidt

Acolyte: Alexis Grandt

Screens: Kyva Meyers

Video: Kaylee Grandt

Sunday, May 17 10:30 am

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Elder: Levi Ottwell

Greeter/Usher: Doug Tolbird

Acolyte: Lennon Ottwell

Screens: Campbell Ottwell

Monday, May 18 6:30 pm

Organist: Sarah Koester

Elder: Bob Thoma

Greeter/Usher: Brenda Appel

Pre-Service Music, Ringing of the Bells, Announcements, Sharing the Peace

St. Paul's Handbell Choir "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" Sunday only

Opening Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LSB 790

Invocation, Confession, Absolution, Introit, Kyrie, This Is The Feast

Salutation and Collect, Prayer of the Day, First Reading Acts 17:16-31

St. Paul's Handbell Choir "Now Thank We All Our God" arr. Sondra K. Tucker Sunday Only

Epistle 1 Peter 3:13-22 Alleluia Verse, Holy Gospel John 14:15-21, Apostles' Creed,

Children's Message, Hymn of the Day "Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace" LSB 844

Sermon Pastor Stephen Krenz "Christianity in an Age of Spirituality" Acts 17:16-31

Offertory "What Shall I Render" LSB 176, Prayer of the Church, Service of the Sacrament,

Proper Preface, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer

Words of Our Lord, Proclamation of Christ, Pax Domini, Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns

"Onward Christian Soldiers" LSB 662

"Christ Be My Leader" LSB 861

"Oh, Blest the House" LSB 862

Thank the Lord, Post-Communion Collect, Benediction

Closing Hymn "Built On the Rock" LSB 645 vs. 1, 3, 5

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class

Today we will finish w/our Year-long study of Luke. In addition, we will start a new series titled "Christian Churches—How Are We Similar? How Are We Different?" In this class, we will explore our shared beliefs and key distinctions in comparison with the following traditions: Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Baptists, other Lutherans, Presbyterians, Assemblies of God (Pentecostal), Church of Christ, Methodism, and Anglican/Episcopalian churches.

Children's Sunday School: 9:15—10:15 am

Students will study "Preaching and Perils" this week. After an extended stay in Greece, Paul sets off on another journey, finally arriving in Troas. There, as he preaches late into the night, a young man named Eutychus falls asleep on a window ledge and tumbles three floors to his death. Paul rushes to his side and restores Eutychus to life. Later, in his second letter to the Church at Corinth, Paul recounts in detail the numerous hardships he endured in his ministry.

The Order of Service Based
On Divine Service II LSB 167
Sixth Sunday of Easter/
Mothers Day

May 10th 8 am and 10:30 am
& May 11th 6:30 pm, 2026

Youth
8th - 12th grade
Sundays:
9:15 - 10:15 am
Meet In the Loft
upstairs



The congregation is cordially invited to attend the wedding ceremony of Kaitlyn Ann Koenigstein to Alexander Edmund Blum on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at 4 pm here at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Kaitlyn is the daughter of Kevin & Lillian Koenigstein.

Thank you! To our two first year Concordia Seminary Field Workers, Austrin Kudray and Josh Gillespie for serving here at St. Paul's since last September. They will be back next September along with Andrew Borseth, who will be a 4th year Seminary Student.

CONTACT US... Church Office: 618-281-4600

✠ Pastor Stephen Krenz: 618-363-0121 *** Secretary: secretary@stpauls-lcms.org

Life with God Classes: A new 10–12 week adult information/membership class begins **Sunday, May 17 at 4:00 p.m.** The class covers the key beliefs of the Lutheran faith. Meeting times can be adjusted to accommodate summer schedules. For more information, contact **Pastor Krenz at 618-363-012** or the church office.



Gateway Grizzlies Fellowship Event
Wednesday, May 27th at 6:45 pm

A night at the ballpark!
(gates Open 5:45)
Sign up in the narthex!

Ticket includes a meal.

Due to a generous donation, each of the tickets ordered are **free of charge**. However, we are asking that **each person attending bring at least \$10** that will go **toward Eve's Restoration Home**. **Sign Up Deadline: Tuesday, May 19th.**



Pre-School Registration
is now open for the
2026–2027 school year!

If you know a family looking for a nurturing, high quality, Christ-centered preschool experience, they may contact our preschool Director, Shelly Augustin for more details about our program. 618–281–4190. Sign up soon—only 4–5 spots left.

Wanted: persons wanting to help in decorate the church if the altar railing is removed. Please put your name & cell phone number on a piece of paper on the secretaries desk AFTER SERVICE. A meeting will be scheduled for next week. THANK YOU.

Next Pantry: May 13th 4 to 5:30 pm
Pantry Needs: Granola Bars, Peaches
5/6 Served: 17 Families = 40 Adults + 8 Children



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
JUNE 8-12, 2026
9 AM - 12 PM

CLOSING PROGRAM 6/12 AT 12 PM
PIZZA LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW!

AGES 3 (TOILET TRAINED) THRU 6TH GRADE WELCOME!

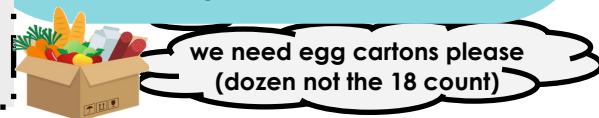
REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY! STPAULS-LCMS.ORG

We are in search of various items to decorate for VBS:

- Palm tree decor**
(inflatable, hangable, or attachable to a wall)
- Leaf banners/decor**
- Tropical animal decorations or stuffed animals**
- Tropical flower decor**
- banners, fake florals, flower leis
- Rattan/grass skirts**
- A large piece or small roll of kraft/butcher paper**
(ideally 4 ft by 16 ft)

If you are interested in donating or lending any of these items for VBS AND/OR you are interested in putting together decorations before **we decorate on June 6th and 7th**, or you have interest in helping to place/hang decorations on those dates, **please text Carleigh at 618-719-9307.**

If lending, please just make sure to label your items in some way.
If donating, many items can be found on Amazon or at the Dollar Tree.
We typically decorate the Narthex, the children's room, the hallways leading to the sites, and the fellowship hall.
We do have some things at church, but will need a few more things for this year's program.



Special Prayers

- † **Jeanine Consolino** for upcoming re-occurring cancer surgery
- † **Terry Hart**, friend of Jean Kirk, as she grieves the loss of her son
- † **Larry Sifford**, friend of Sandy Roessler
- † **David Justus**, recovering at home from cancer surgery
- † **Marjorie Drexlar**, prayer for intense back pain
- † **Paul Lemay**, Relative of Stefanie Newbill who has severe health problems.
- † **Deanna Roessler**, daughter-in-law of Sandy Roessler, having tests done
- † **Gordon Moeckel**, uncle of Randy Moeckel, on hospice
- † **Chris Schoenhoff**, friend of Mike Arras, health issues

For Those Living With Cancer / Undergoing Cancer Treatments...

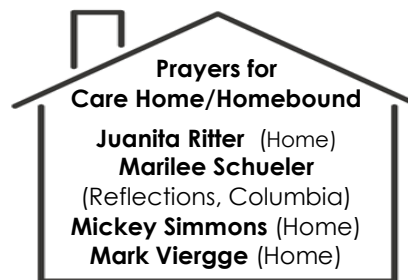
- Tom Crouch**, brother of Diane Bierman
- Patti French**, friend of congregation
- Harold Thoma**, brother of Bob Thoma
- Jeffrey Gruber**, son of Don & Pat Gruber
- Nancy Puh**, sister of Mike Arras
- Robert Ebner**, friend of Bob Thoma
- Tara Menard**, granddaughter of Don & Pat Gruber
- Gwen Shreeman**, niece of Janet Kenney
- Virginia Schweigert**, Theresa Mancarella's sister
- Sandy Cates**, friend of Susan S. & Mona N.
- Katie Pernoud**, co-worker of Beth Niehaus.

Additional Prayers

- † **For Kylie Linderer who will receive the blessings of baptism Monday evening**
- † **For Mothers**
- † **For those who desired to become Mothers but were unable**
- † **For Word R Us Mission Society**

Welcome!!

Kylie Jane Linderer will receive the gift of baptism at the 6:30 pm Monday Service. Kylie is the daughter of Chelsea & Patrick Linderer, and she has two brothers—Will and Jackson, Please keep Kylie and her family in your prayers.
Voter's meeting Recap



On Tuesday, April 28, thirty-one members gathered for our annual spring Voters' Meeting.
☆ During the meeting, the congregation released eighteen members due to long-term inactivity.
☆ A letter from Linaya Kolke was shared, informing the congregation that she has declined the call to St. Paul's.
☆ The Trustees presented a proposal to bring the communion rail off the altar down in front of the lectern and pulpit. A final decision on this project will be made at the July Voters' Meeting.
☆ It was reported that offerings are currently \$23,000 higher than at this time last year. If this trend continues, it will help the congregation better support the cost of a Director of Christian Education.
☆ The Audit Committee delivered its annual report and confirmed that our accounting system remains in good order.
☆ The congregation also discussed a potential summer 2027 sabbatical for Pastor Krenz. A full Voters' Meeting packet—including all board, committee, and financial reports—is available in the church entryway.

DCE Call Committee Update

We have received a number of names from the District Office. Once we go through the information on these individuals, we will set up zoom interviews. The plan is to meet as a call committee in the next two weeks. The Call Committee members are Scott Peery, Becky Stevens, Mitch Essert, Carleigh Ottwell, Patrick Grandt, and Pastor Krenz.

Our Response To His Love With Attendance			
5.3 Sunday 8 am	60		
10:30 am	103		
5.4 Monday 6:30 pm	17	=	180
5/3 SS/Youth	17		
5/3 Adult Bible Study	16		
5/5 Men's Bible Study	4		
5/6 Women's Bible Study	9		
Our Response To His Love W/ Our Finances General Fund			
Weekly Budgeted	Amount Needed	\$	8,400
Received 5/3/26		\$	7,447
Building Repair Fund			
Received 5/3/26		\$	448