

# THE TOWER TALK

#### St. Paul Lutheran Church

12 Park St, Box O, Treynor, Iowa 51575 Tel: 888-487-3880

January 2022

Thank you to all who helped with Christmas Eve and Christmas Day worship services! We couldn't do it without all who helped make them special: our Welcome Teams, musicians, acolytes, Advent readers, Tech Team, decorators, Altar Guild and office support assistance!

Thank you to all who ordered poinsettias and helped make our sanctuary beautiful for the special services. If you ordered a poinsettia, they can be picked up anytime after the last Christmas Eve worship service.

All offerings during these services will go to the Micah House in Council Bluffs who provide a safe place for families to live, have meals, and receive employment help as they transition to their own place to live.

#### **Winter Weather Issues**

If winter weather is ever an issue for Sunday worship, this information will be announced on local TV stations, KMA, St. Paul's website and St. Paul's Facebook page. If the weather is questionable, please check these resources before leaving home!

Thank you to all who help with snow and ice removal for big & small weather issues! They are always looking for extra help, so any youth or adults who can ever help, it would be greatly appreciated!

See page 4 for an update from our Call Team.

See page 5 for an update on our new lift process.

#### Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, Jan. 16th

Wedded Band will be serving their annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, January 16th! We will start serving immediately after the 10:30 am service, and take-out meals will be available! Please add this to your calendar and plan to attend.

The 2021 Flower Chart is posted in the church entryway. Please consider signing up to provide altar flowers for a weekend in 2021 in honor of a birthday, anniversary, or just because!

"Knowing Jesus, Telling about Jesus, Loving as Jesus Loves"

## St. Paul Lutheran Church information...

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Tel: 888-487-3880

Email: lutheranchurchspl@gmail.com

Website: stpaultreynor.org

Office hours: 8:30 am - 12:30pm

Monday - Friday

**Preschool Tel:** 712-796-1177

#### Mission:

"Knowing Jesus, Telling about Jesus, Loving as Jesus Loves"



#### **STAFF**

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Monday - 9am-12pm Wednesday - 9am-12pm Thursday - 9am - 12pm Friday - 9am - 12pm



Or call the church office to schedule an appointment 888-487-3880

Pastor's Office Hours

#### **MINISTRY TEAMS**

The following is a list of contact persons that you can ask questions or get involved:

Praise Team - Deb Schmidt

Prayer Chain - Church Office

<u>Stewardship Team</u> - Ken Andersen, Jan Meis, Patty Walter, Glenrose Meier

**Hospitality Team** - Diana Andersen

Maintenance Team - Roger Andersen

**Library** - Adrienne Karr

SPY (High School youth) - Denise Wilson

**Confirmation** - Pastor Sharon

Sunday School & VBS - Denise Wilson

Preschool (Volunteers, Governing Board) - Shirley Chambers

Holy Communion - Lynell Vorthmann

Weddings - Shirley Chambers

Funerals - Ann Vorthmann & Lynell Vorthmann

<u>Companion Congregation Team</u> - Roger Andersen

<u>Technology Team</u> - Roger Andersen, Denise Wilson

WOW - Cory Young

Jr. Lutherans - Denise Wilson, Carrie Radford

<u>Cemetery Committee</u> – Josh Lammert, Dennis Deitchler, Ron Thomas, Jim Karr

Bingo Team - Julie Sealock

Quilting - Berni Bichel

<u>Bethany Lutheran Health Services Auxiliary</u>—Norma Vorthmann

#### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

Corey Vorthmann, President

Tracy Flathers, Vice President

Katie Weis, Secretary

Dave Keay, Treasurer

Erica Schnepel

Cory Young

JJ Pote



Congratulations to Summer Goss and Michael Herwig on their marriage at St. Paul on Saturday, December 18th! Proud mother is United in Marriage Lori Falk-Goss and proud grandparents are Kevin and Alice Falk. God's blessings on their marriage and family!



Our sympathy and prayers to the families of Barb Deitchler, Joan Burger, Bryce Behrens, Jr. and Wayne Andersen in their loss of their loved ones. May God comfort them and give them peace.

**Deaf Missions:** Will you help share Jesus by investing this Christmas in the new Jesus movie that Deaf Missions is planning to produce & distribute to share the Gospel with 70 million Deaf people worldwide? View the pilot for the movie at www.deafmissions.com/jesus



- \*To everyone who provided sandwiches or bars for the blood drive in December!
- \*To everyone who supported the soup lunch where \$763 were given to the New Visions
- Veteran's Center to help our veterans in need!
- \*To Glenrose Meier for her Thrivent Project to help support the soup lunch
- \*To all who donated gifts for teens & children 2 I huge garbage bags full were delivered
- \*To LaJean Wehring for her Thrivent Project to help support the teen gifts project
- \*To Glenrose Meier and Ann Pingel for making the special Advent banners
- \*To all our Advent Readers
- \*To all who helped with our Christmas services
- \*To all who have helped with office projects while we are shorthanded

Administrative Assistant Needed: We are looking for an Administrative Assistant in the church office. The hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:30am to 12:30pm for 20 hours a week. Must be a people person with computer experience and an attention to details. Please contact Pastor Sharon or Denise if you are interested or would like more information.

**Quilting Needs:** Our quilting ladies are in need of old blankets, sheets, and any fabric and/or remnants that you can donate for making quilts. Please drop them off to the church marked for quilters.

Thank you!

Preschool Director Needed: We are sad to share that Linda Eitmann is stepping down as the director of the preschool. Many years ago, God blessed her with a vision for our preschool and with her faithfulness, passion and commitment, she has helped it to be a wonderful blessing to so many members and families! If you know someone who is interested in this position, please contact Shirley Chambers at 402-651-8816.



#### Offering Envelopes for 2022:

We are doing these a little bit different this coming year. We are not going to use the numbered envelopes like we have in the past. We have decided to go with plain

giving envelopes where you can write your name and date on the outside and they never go out of date. Envelopes will be in the pews and there will be some in the church entryway in a basket if you want to take several home.



Homeless

warm clothing items and teen Christmas items! 27 bags of warm clothes and 2 huge bags of teens/children's items were taken to New Visions recently—what a blessing these items are to those in need! We will continue to collect donations of new

Thank you to all who have donated

or lightly used warm clothing items throughout the winter. Thank you for your donations!



wonderful 2022.

#### **Bethany Lutheran Health** Services December 2021 News!

Amanda Richardson, Activities Director at the Home, shares the fun activities for the residents at the Home: Christmas Store-3 Days, a Christmas Party, a Special Christmas Service with Cece with a special surprise, a New Years Eve Party, Lunch with Activities, Hot Cocoa Social, Taste of Christmas, Christmas Canvas Painting, Christmas Tree Bowling, Christmas Jingo and Christmas Music Bingo. Facebook news: We are pleased to share that Hoy Kilnoski Funeral Home has once again stepped up and answered a call to sponsor all of the residents for Christmas this year! With this sponsorship our elves are able to purchase personalized gifts for everyone who is living with us this season. Also on the Facebook page they posted: a few weeks ago we were able celebrate the soft opening of our brand new Mary Pat Center for Healing and Hope at Bethany! The new rehabilitation gym will allow us to provide our residents the opportunity to be able to utilize brand new equipment in a safe and fun environment to help speed up the process of healing. The gym is still a work in progress, but we are so blessed to have very generous donors and support from our community. Check back for more updates soon! Christine Gochenour, marketing director, says: Bethany Lutheran Health Services would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We are so grateful for everything you do for us and are looking forward to a

"...press on toward the goal of the upward calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 3:14)



#### RESOLUTIONS

Do you make New Year's resolutions? Do you look back at last year and resolve that you will do better this year? That this year will be different? Improved? I do. I take stock and make my list. It is thorough, comprehensive and will bring me to having the best year yet!

Like most of you, I discover that I've broken most of my resolutions by day three! (And day two is a very hard, grit-your-teeth, bear-down and do it kind of day.) It is exhausting and so discouraging. Although the resolutions come out of my good intentions, I just don't have the capacity to sustain them. If I mess up once, my resolution is broken and my resolve is gone!

Contrast this with goals. In setting goals, you focus on a target. You begin moving in that direction, but you don't have to attain it immediately. There are a variety of ways in which you can reach your goal. Mistakes don't break your goal. They can be part of the process of moving toward it. Making mistakes doesn't change your direction or the goal you hope to reach.

I suppose it is like archery. Missing the target doesn't keep you from taking aim again. As you keep practicing, your aim may improve and more of your shots will hit your target. You may even graduate to moving targets (for all you bow-hunters out there! )Of course, friends and coaches can help you improve too.

One of the words for sin in the Bible literally means "missing the mark". It is the sin in all of us that causes us to fall short of our goals, to break our resolutions, to miss the target. But Jesus came into the world to break the power of sin over us all.

Jesus forgives us our sin and gives us a fresh start. As we live in him, Christ can help us set goals and directions for our year and our life. He can even help us aim the arrow! As we live in him and in his power, we "press on toward the <u>goal</u> of the upward calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 3:14). May God go with you in this coming year.

Pressing on with you,

Pastor Sharon

<u>Call Team Update</u>: The Call Team met Tuesday evening December 14th, and we are working at putting survey questions together. We want to look at this time as an opportunity to reflect on where we have been as a congregation and where we want to be in the future. A very basic question is, "What does it mean to be the church?" The answers to that one will guide us as we continue the process. Consider it carefully and feel free to talk to anyone on the team. We welcome your input. Our next meeting will be December 28th.

The Call Team,

Berni Bichel, Chairman

Call Team members: Berni Bichel, Mira Dreyer, Alice Falk, Sheryl Hendersen, Adrienne Karr, Bob Schmidt, John Swalwell, Kirk Vorthmann and Katie Weis.



The Church Council decided not to meet in December with the busyness of the holidays. They will meet on January 13th at 6:30 pm.

#### <u>Ministry Team Council Report Schedule</u> January - Health Ministry

February - Preschool

March - Worship Planning/Praise Team

April - Confirmation

\*Please provide a written update of your ministry to the church office a few days before the scheduled council meeting. Thank you!



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#### St. Paul Lift Update

The concrete work for the new lift area is complete. Patriot's Choice out of Harlan started the work in October and it was completed on Dec 14. They had to dig out and underpin (create additional footings below the existing footings) the East wall of the area because the existing entry footings only went down four feet and the lift had to be about one foot lower than that. On the West side at one time the stairs flared out at the bottom to the East so there were footings that had to be removed, more dirt removed, and also underpinned to support the existing steps. On the North side more dirt was removed and a wall with footings had to be built. There was also other concrete "plaster" put on the West wall to smooth out all the exposed old bricks and concrete blocks that made up the old wall and footings.

The floor where the lift will lower to the basement level had to be three inches lower than the remaining floor so that the lift platform would be level with the floor when the lift was down. The existing floor in the old restroom was ¾ of an inch lower than the quilting room floor (probably had an oak floor at one time) so that had to have a concrete overlay to make everything at the same height for easy wheelchair movement.

The last thing they did was to install 18 floor tiles from the edge of the existing church entry tile to the edge of the lift. They installed them in a concrete mix like the existing entry tiles were laid rather than grout.

The cost for all of Patriot Choice's work was \$26,217.94.

The next step is to complete framing up and finishing the lift shaft way and to do drywall and electrical work in the old restroom and the former quilt storage room. Unlike the concrete work and underpinning this work will be done by the Maintenance Team with support from others within St. Paul. This work will require coordination with AES, the company that will supply and install the lift. AES must approve our shaft way work before the manufacture of the lift actually can be ordered. Before Covid the delivery schedule was 6 weeks from the order date. During that manufacture time AES will also apply for the required lift installation permit from the State of Iowa.

We appreciate your patience as we work to get the lift installed.

The Maintenance Team



## **Prayer Board-Prayer List**

## We Fray for You!

Request the Prayer Chain Contact: church office at 888-487-3880 or lutheranchurchspl@gmail.com

#### PRAYER LIST OR PRAYER CHAIN?

The prayer chain is activated when a situation arises in which immediate prayer support is requested. A request made to the prayer chain is kept in absolute confidentiality and is not published. Individuals may be on both the prayer chain and the prayer list if desired.

(The following are on our prayer list and also posted on our new prayer board in the church entryway. Please stop by the prayer board to read the updates, say a prayer for them and/or to write them an encouraging note or card. You may place the completed cards and or notes in the basket and the church will be glad to deliver them for you.)

Family of Wayne Andersen, Family of Bryce Behrens, Jr.,
Gerald Arens, Julie Eden, Belinda VanAernam, Andy Anderson,
Don Marshall, Marilyn Lustgraaf, Betty Schmidt, John Sealock,
Aubrey Greiner, Joy Young, Norma Voss, Ed Collins, Trent Casey,
Kya Hackett, Dennis Nelson, Jackie Stephens, Norma Vorthmann,
LuAnn Miller, Roy Maguire, Susan Goos, Nixon Quick, Bill Jackson,
LaVonne Sidebottom, Marlon McKenzie, Nixon Quick, Ann Roof,
Jan Young, Bruce Bentley, Palmer Vorthmann, Jack Smith,
Herb Sudmann, Wendy Vorthmann,
Logan Young and Kaelin Bruning,

| Jack Vorthmann      | January 2  |
|---------------------|------------|
| Joslyn Chambers     | January 3  |
| Jimmy Rector        | January 3  |
| Emerson Caruso      | January 4  |
| Terry Clausen       | January 4  |
| Evan Smith          | January 4  |
| Kiera Vorthmann     | January 4  |
| Brayden Dyke        | January 5  |
| Ashtyn Miller       | January 6  |
| Marsha Andersen     | January 7  |
| Helga Calkins       | January 7  |
| Tracy Gillespie     | January 7  |
| Vickie Floerchinger | January 8  |
| Ashlynn Hebing      | January 8  |
| Darrell Jensen      | January 8  |
| Kaitlin Gillespie   | January 10 |
| Amy Miller          | January 11 |
| Aaron Vorthmann     | January 12 |
| Tyler Chambers      | January 14 |
| Robert McKern       | January 14 |
| Justin Sukup        | January 14 |
| John Sealock        | January 19 |
|                     |            |



| Dennis White     | January 19 |
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| Berni Bichel     | January 20 |
| John Deitchler   | January 20 |
| Shad Granger     | January 20 |
| Kathy Ryan       | January 20 |
| Joanie Saar      | January 20 |
| Julie Ann Vierck | January 20 |
| Jess Mass        | January 21 |
| George Schafer   | January 23 |
| Denise Keay      | January 23 |
| Rowan Melby      | January 25 |
| Molly Allen      | January 25 |
| Corey Wasenius   | January 26 |
| Susan Goos       | January 27 |
| Melissa Nielsen  | January 27 |
| Susan Caruso     | January 28 |
| Chloe Mass       | January 28 |
| Brock Meis       | January 29 |
| Livia Schroeder  | January 29 |
| Lucy Delavan     | January 31 |
| Dane Dunbar      | January 31 |
| Henry Rath       | January 31 |
|                  |            |

#### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



#### The PINWHEEL

January 2022

Our mission is to love the children, teach God's wonders and discover the love of learning.

**DECEMBER ACTIVITES:** All through December, the students expressed their excitement for Christmas. The staff provided guidance in getting the real "reason for the season" integrated into their excitement. By Christmas break, the students were able to retell the story by using the various nativity scenes in each classroom. The Preschool Christmas program recreated the birth of Jesus through songs and actions. The children were excited to share this special message with their families and friends. Indeed, we are thankful to celebrate Jesus' birthday and tell others about His plan for our salvation. The staff incorporated the month's concepts into the various art forms that students completed. It was fun seeing the pine cone Christmas trees, the sticker nativity scenes, the gingerbread houses and many of the other art projects finished throughout the month.

By participating in the monthly service project, the staff and students had the opportunity to practice generosity and kindness. It was brought to light the need to help others who are less fortunate. As a result, they donated a variety of warm hats and gloves which were combined with the Christmas tree donation project at the church.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to all of those that have donated supplies and made monetary donations to the Preschool throughout this year! Also, to those that have donated their time volunteering at the Preschool. We appreciate all of your support!

**ACTIVITIES:** The Preschool Staff has spent time creating an outline in each curriculum area as a focus for the month. The January classroom activities include the following:

Theme: Snow & Ice/Polar Animals/Habitats Bible Verse: Be strong in the Lord. Eph. 6:10 Bible Truth: Jesus grew strong in the Lord. God helps us be brave because He is always watching over us.

**Bible Stories:** Jesus' baptism. Matt. 3-17/John 1:32-34; God helps David defeat Goliath 1 Samuel 17:23-52; Jesus says "Follow Me". Luke 5:1- 11/Matthew 4:18-22

Character Trait: Obedience, Courage, Bravery Concepts: Opposites/Matter/Water Properties; Cause & Effect; Warm/Cold Cooking: Maple Syrup candy/ Bird cookies Fine Motor: Pouring/ Measuring/Sequencing/ Scissor Grip/Making snow

Gross Motor: Skating, parachute
Color: White Shape: Rectangle
Number: 11, 12 Letters: W, Z, K

Nursery Rhymes: Pop Goes the Weasel/

One, Two, Buckle My Shoe

Service Project: Curing Kids Cancer

donations

Special Event: Family Fun Week reinvented

Resource/Field Trip: Kindernature—

Groundhogs (Hibernation)

If anyone has some means of supporting the January themes, subjects or various concepts, please tell one of the Preschool Governing Board or a Preschool Staff member.

**PRESCHOOL SUPPLIES:** The Preschool is always in need of paper products. If you see a good sale for paper towels or napkins let us know. As always, the Preschool would love to have any contributions. Thank you for your generosity.

**Governing Board** - Shirley Chambers, Carol Deitchler, Sheryl Henderson, Alice Falk, Karen Swalwell, Annie Vorthmann, Sharon Weis

Preschool & Extended Preschool Staff -Norah Beekhuizen, Payton Chapman, Audrey Clark, Julie Cramer, Judy Cryer, Elsie Hrasky, Alyssa Johnson, Sonya Kinnison, Rachel Kinsella, Carrie Radford, Stephanie Vogt, Kaylie Williams



### **Stewardship News!**

#### January 2022

Greetings from the Stewardship Team. We sincerely hope that all of you had a Merry Christmas. We wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

We hope that all is well with everyone. Let's hope that this year will be a more normal year than 2021 was. Hopefully we can all get the vaccine and avoid the Covid-19 that plagued us during 2020 and 2021.

On November 21, 2021, Consecration Sunday, we had 40 pledge cards turned in. The pledges amount to 63% of 2022 annual budget.

For those that turned in a pledge card you should have received a thank you letter. For those who did not turn in a pledge you should have received the same letter asking you to turn in your card, if you have not already done so, please consider doing so shortly. Our Church Council can do a better job of budgeting the church if they have an idea of the funds they have to work with. Remember God loves a cheerful giver.

Our team is responsible for getting tellers for each month. These people devote their time and talents to count the offering receipts each week during the year. I was remiss this past year in sending out thank yous on a monthly basis. Thank you very much to all who served as tellers in 2021. Tellers for 2021: B. J. Dreyer, Lynell Vorthmann, Dave and Denise Keay, Jacob Young, Marilyn Lustgraaf, Kirk Vorthmann, Ken Andersen, Stanley Vorthmann, Dennis White, Diane Clausen, Gene Young, Jamie Poland, John Swalwell, Tracy Flathers, Brandon Vorthmann, Amy Hansen, Rick Morton, Bob Schmidt, Roxanne Huskey, Stacey Burmeister. Substitute tellers are: Roger Vorthmann, JoAnn Santage and Rick Morton.

Another duty of the stewardship team is to determine the missions that we will support throughout the year. No changes were made to the monthly and year end list. The special event offerings, i.e.: Christmas Eve/Day, Lent and Ash Wednesday, Ice Cream Social, etc. are reviewed and changed or modified.

**January Mission:** Lutheran Services of Iowa is our mission for January. Lutheran Services in Iowa responds to the love of Jesus Christ through compassionate service. Each year they strengthen Iowa Families through a variety of programs, ranging from early childhood education to behavioral and mental health services.

Food for thought: A little smile, a word of cheer, a bit of love from someone near, a little gift from one held dear, best wishes for the coming year – John Greenleaf Whittier.

We wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous 2021.

Pastor Sharon, Ken Andersen, Jan Meis, Glenrose Meier and Patty Walter.



#### **Sunday School**

3 yr. olds- 8th grade

Something for all ages on Sunday mornings at 9:15am!!

#### Preschool through 5th grade

classes are in the classrooms upstairs in the church building.

**6th thru 8th grade** are in the youth center.

We hope to see you on Sunday mornings!

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#### **January 2nd**

No Sunday School - Have a Happy New Year!

#### Sunday, February 13th

The SS children preschool thru 5th grade will play the bells at the 10:30am worship service!

# Christmas Program thank you's!

Thank you to our Sunday School students, teachers, parents, middle school and high school students, for all your help in making our Christmas Program and worship a wonderful celebration of Jesus' birth! **Health/safety procedures:** We are not requiring masks at this time but they will be available at all entries into the church and youth center. We ask parents to please follow the same health/safety guidelines as the school, that if your child is not feeling well or has a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, fatigue, body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea, that you please keep them home. Thank you!

#### Junior Lutherans and WOW for January

<u>Junior Lutherans, Weds., Jan. 12th, 5:30-6:30pm</u>: Jr. Lutherans is for 2nd thru 4th grade students and is held in the youth center. Bring your bible and come a little early to play the game tables! Contact the leaders, Denise Wilson and Carrie Radford, if you have any questions.

WOW (Walk One Way), Weds., Jan. 19th, 5:30-6:30pm: WOW is for 5th and 6th grade students and is held in the youth center. Contact the leader, Cory Young, or Denise Wilson if you have any questions.

#### **Confirmation Schedule for January**

Weds., Jan. 5th - 7:00pm-8:15pm: Learning Event

Weds., Jan. 12th-7:00-8:15pm: Learning Event

Weds., Jan. 19th- 7:00-8:15pm: Learning Event

**Weds., Jan. 26th** - Mentor night: Students are to meet with their mentors at the church at 6:15pm or schedule another time to meet for their discussion.

#### Cell Group schedule for January 7pm - 8:15pm

High School youth!! Come for fun group games, read & discuss God's word with your peers, and have some snacks! We usually have 1 meal a month on the last Wednesday of the month in the church fellowship hall & do a project or special activity.



<u>Wednesday, Jan. 5th</u>: We will meet in the youth center for our long awaited Christmas celebration! We will have a meal, gingerbread house contest, hot chocolate bar and fun game!

Weds., Jan. 12th & 19th: We will meet in the youth center.

**Weds., Jan. 26th:** We will meet in the church fellowship hall for a meal and do a service project.

#### **Sunday Morning CREW for High School Youth**

9:15am on Sunday mornings in the youth center! Come & join us for devotion time, prayer and service projects & treats!

Christians

The CREW youth adopted a family in December and were able to deliver gifts to a family with 6 children - what a blessing!

Come & be a part of their next project!

Contact our student leaders, Mira Dreyer and Avery Dyke, or Denise Wilson if you have any questions.

re able sing! Ready Equipped byke, Willing

Mission Trip 2022: We will have a meeting on Sunday, Jan. 23rd at 11:45am in the upstairs library to discuss our possibilities for our high school mission trip and fundraising.



# January 2022

**Missions: Lutheran Services of Iowa** 

|  | Mon                    | Tue                                  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri     | Sat                    |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------|------------------------|
|  |                        |                                      |   |   |         | 1                      |
| 9:00am Fellowship<br>No SS, CREW or Adult<br>Bible Study<br>10:00am Worship (Only<br>1 worship service today)                    | 3                      | 4                                    | 5 6pm Preschool Governing Board Mtg in upstairs library 7pm Confirmation & Cell Group     | 68:30am Maintenance Team Day 6pm Preschool Staff Mtg in Fhall No AA Mtg | 7       | 8                      |
| 9<br>8:00am Worship<br>9:00am Fellowship<br>9:15am SS/CREW<br>9:30am Adult Bible Study<br>10:30am Worship<br>12-8pm Fhall Rental | 10 6- 9pm PEO in Fhall | 11                                   | 12 5:30-6:30pm Jr. Lutherans 7pm Confirmation & Cell Group                                | 13 6:30pm Council Meeting 7pm AA  | 14      | 15 12-6pm Fhall Rental |
| 16 8am Worship 9:00am Fellowship 9:15am SS/CREW 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship 10:30am Spaghetti Dinner by Wedded Band | 17                     | 18<br>9-11am Pre-<br>school in Fhall | 19<br>9-11am Preschool<br>in Fhall<br>5:30-6:30pm WOW<br>7pm Confirmation<br>& Cell Group | 20 4 - 8pm Preschool Family Fun Day in church bldg. 7pm AA              | 21      | 22                     |
| 8am Worship 9:00am Fellowship 9:15am SS/CREW 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship  | 24                     | 25                                   | 26 6:15 Confirmation Students meet with mentors 7pm Cell Group in Fhall                   | 27 7pm AA   | 28      | 29                     |
| 30<br>8am Worship<br>9:00am Fellowship<br>9:15am SS/CREW<br>9:30am Adult Bible Study<br>10:30am Worship                          | 31                     |                                      | * * 9   | * * *   | * * * * | *                      |



## January 2022 Volunteer Schedule Worship Schedule

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | Musicians    | Reader              | Acolyte            | Altar<br>Flowers | Welcome<br>Team             |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1/2/22      | 10:00am     | Praise Team  | None needed         | Henry Wise         | Poinsettias      | Wehrings &<br>Vorthmanns    |
| 1/9/22      | 8:00am      | Ruby Bentley | Patty Walter        | Taryn White        | Poinsettias      | Doug &<br>LaJean<br>Wehring |
| 1/9/22      | 10:30am     | Praise Team  |                     | Chloe<br>McGreevy  |                  | Kirk & Lynell<br>Vorthmann  |
| 1/16/22     | 8:00am      | Brett Allen  | LaJean<br>Wehring   | Karlie Miller      | Poinsettias      | Doug &<br>LaJean<br>Wehring |
| 1/16/22     | 10:30am     | Praise Team  |                     | Sophie<br>Pedersen |                  | Kirk & Lynell<br>Vorthmann  |
| 1/23/22     | 8:00am      | Ruby Bentley | **Need reader       | Claire Schrage     | Poinsettias      | Doug &<br>LaJean<br>Wehring |
| 1/23/22     | 10:30am     | Praise Team  |                     | Kiera<br>Vorthmann |                  | Kirk & Lynell<br>Vorthmann  |
| 1/30/22     | 8:00am      | Brett Allen  | Sheryl<br>Henderson | Lanee Wasenius     | Poinsettias      | Doug &<br>LaJean<br>Wehring |
| 1/30/22     | 10:30am     | Praise Team  |                     | Taryn White        |                  | Kirk & Lynell<br>Vorthmann  |

**2022 Flower Chart:** The new flower chart is hanging up in the church entryway. Please consider signing up to provide the altar flowers on a Sunday. You can have them in honor of someone for a birthday, an anniversary, in memory of someone, or just because! Live flowers on the altar add a lot to our worship service and space and you can take them home after the 10:30 service.

#### Acolyte Reminder:

Be sure to check the calendar above for dates and services you are scheduled to acolyte. If you are unable to acolyte be sure to find a substitute and let the church office know of the change. St Paul Workday Dec 2, 2021

There were 10 people helped with the work day – Coretta and Ken Andersen, LaJean and Doug Wehring, Kay and Dennis White, Mike Sukup, Bob Andersen, Steve Andersen, and Roger Andersen.

Checked the AED and oxygen tank as a monthly task

Moved the pulpit to the second overflow for the Sunday School Program and Dec 18 wedding

The whole work day was spent cleaning up leaves from the church, preschool, and parsonage grounds. Dennis White mulched leaves and picked them up with the lawn sweep. Bob Andersen brought his riding mower and mulched leaves to be picked up by Dennis, while Mike Sukup brought his big ZTR mower with a rear bagger that did an amazing job. The swept up leaves were dumped on a tarp that Coretta, Ken, LaJean, Doug, Kay, and Roger stuffed into 4ftX4ftX4ft bags. We got 10 big of leaves. Steve Andersen took 2 bags for his garden and Berni Bichel took 1 bag for her garden. Mike Sukup took the other 9 bags and put them in a ditch on his place. We were all glad it was a nice day with very little wind.

We schedule the work day for the first Thursday of every month so join us Jan 6 for some "fun" and probably homemade cookie and brownies.

Other tasks performed since the last Tower Talk update includes:

Ken and Coretta have been taking the recycle cardboard and plastic to the recycle center Burned the limbs in the fire ring several times

Dennis mowed a couple times in Nov

Ken and Mark repaired the outside window to the subbasement stairwell

Unlocked and locked the sanctuary doors daily for the concrete workers

Cleaned up the entry before the Sunday services following weekly concrete work

Took down the plastic "wall" in the sanctuary entry that helped control the construction dust

Bought a new air compressor after the one installed in June had a broken part.

Menards did replace the bad air compressor so we have our own spare – Doug and Roger provided the spare over the past several years until a different on was purchased

Cleaned the construction dirt from the front sidewalk several times

Replaced the bad HDMI splitter for the sanctuary TV. Purchased another one to keep as backup

Installed a remote on/off switch for the HDMI splitter so it is not always ON

Installed two 27 inch computer monitors to replace Liz's (Mike Sukup found the two for \$150)

Figured out how to get the new camera used to live stream the services to display on the TV's for weddings or other events

Wedded Band members put up the outside manger scene - Ron & Jolene, Doug & son Kyle, Dennis & Kay, Ken & Coretta, Kirk & Lynell, Ann & Kevin, Ed & Helga, Mark S, Rog, Glenrose (hope I got everyone)

The OMG (Old Maintenance Group)



Next workday: Thursday, January 6th at 8:30 a.m. All are welcome to come and help!

#### St Paul Lutheran Church

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# Balance Sheet [Last Year Analysis] November 2021

| 001-53 |                                | 2004         | 2022         |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|        | Assets                         | 2021         | 2020         |
|        |                                | *** *** ***  |              |
|        | TS Bank - general operating    | \$99,061.20  | \$50,202.52  |
|        | TS Bank - Farm Account         | \$150,709.03 | \$153,419.08 |
|        | TS Bank - Cemetery Account     | \$12,002.71  | \$8,532.72   |
|        | TS Bank CD                     | \$7,844.00   | \$7,844.00   |
|        | TS Bank - Memorial Account     | \$12,225.31  | \$12,693.92  |
|        | Memorial Fund Savings          | \$3,258.33   | \$3,258,33   |
|        | TS Bank - Building Account     | \$99,898,07  | \$36,202,27  |
|        | Student Loans Receivable-Farm  | \$1,940.00   | \$1,940.00   |
|        | Parsonage Fund Receivable-Farm | \$0.00       | \$41,139.05  |
|        | Cherish Our Church Receivable  | \$0.00       | \$25,282.64  |
|        | Equipment                      | \$3,798.50   | \$3,798.50   |
|        | Total Assets                   | \$390,737.15 | \$344,313.03 |
|        | Current Liabilities            |              |              |
|        | Payroll Liabilities            | \$2,377,11   | \$2,226.97   |
|        | Total Current Liabilities      | \$2,377.11   | \$2,226.97   |
|        | Equity                         |              |              |
|        | Restricted Funds               | \$293,815.48 | \$0.00       |
|        | Unrestricted-other bank funds  | \$94,544.56  | \$0.00       |
|        | Total Equity                   | \$388,360.04 | \$344,313.03 |
|        | Total Liability & Equity       | \$390,737.15 | \$344,313.03 |

|   | 2021          | 2020   | 2019          | 2018          | 2017            | 2016   |
|---|---------------|--|---------------|---------------|-----------------|--|
|   | Offerings     | Offerings  | Offerings     | Offerings     | Offerings       | Offerings  |
| January   | \$ 23,094.00  | \$ 25,729.17   | \$ 20,644.30  | \$ 20,432.25  | \$ 21,715.46    | \$ 24,458.12   |
| February  | \$ 26.114.00  | \$ 19,966.65   | \$ 21,605.00  | \$ 17,879.50  | \$ 19.957.47    | \$ 20,043.57   |
| March   | \$ 21,405.50  | \$ 21,560.35   | \$ 22,577.43  | \$ 22,001.66  | \$ 22,840.75    | \$ 23,779.97   |
| April   | \$ 18,169.00  | \$ 15,001.35   | \$ 22,789.78  | \$ 25,807.50  | \$ 25,525.00    | \$ 19.880.75   |
| May   | \$ 24,482.00  | \$ 15,156.35   | \$ 18,638.50  | \$ 20,467.50  | \$ 20,048.75    | \$ 24,423.42   |
| June  | \$ 16,179.00  | \$ 19,511.35   | \$ 16,112.21  | \$ 17,450.44  | \$ 18,639.00    | \$ 21,147.75   |
| July  | \$ 22,845.00  | \$ 21,145.84   | \$ 20,942.90  | \$ 19,910.00  | \$ 20,317.00    | \$ 21,841.00   |
| August  | \$ 16,762.00  | \$ 16,973.35   | \$ 21,209.93  | \$ 19,111.00  | \$ 18,662.50    | S 21,974.00  |
| September   | \$ 19,385.62  | \$ 16,726.00   | \$ 20,736.98  | \$ 26,363.67  | \$ 20,147.50    | \$ 20,288.72   |
| October   | \$ 15,637.00  | \$ 22,191.00   | \$ 20,691.37  | \$ 15,122.64  | \$ 26,130.13    | \$ 21,766.91   |
| November  | \$ 35,110.71  | \$ 30,022.00   | \$ 23,788.63  | \$ 19,938.30  | \$ 21,767.58    | \$ 23,115.98   |
| December  |               | \$36,209.07  | \$ 39,371.67  | \$ 27,298.19  | \$ 30,006.98    | \$ 27,210.94   |
| TOTAL   | \$ 239,183.83 | \$ 260,192.48  | \$ 269,108.70 | \$ 251,782.65 | \$ 265,758.12   | \$ 269,931.13  |
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#### **DATED MATERIAL**

January 1, 2022

#### WE ARE BLESSED AT ST PAUL!

#### Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

(see calendar for Jan. 2nd one worship service schedule for holiday weekend)

8:00 am Traditional Worship 9:00 a.m. Fellowship, coffee & treats 9:15 a.m. Sunday School/High School CREW 9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship

WE HAVE AN AWESOME GOD!

