

THE TOWER TALK

St. Paul Lutheran Church

12 Park St, Box O, Treynor, Iowa 51575

Tel: 888-487-3880

September

2022

Rally Day! Sunday, Sept. 11th!



We invite everyone to join us as we celebrate Rally Day with all activities outside (weather permitting)!

8:30-9:45 am Pancake Breakfast
(made & served by our high school youth)

9:00-9:45 am Children's games
(run by our middle school youth)

10:00 -11:00 am Worship
(only one worship service today)

Blessing of the Sunday School Teachers and Pre-school Teachers during worship. All activities will be held outside (weather permitting)

Back to 2 worship services beginning Sept. 18th

We will resume two worship services starting Sept. 18th at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

We invite everyone to come for coffee/treats during fellowship time at 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School and CREW will begin on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. beginning on Sunday, Sept. 18th!
See page 8 for more details!

Community Tailgate Dinner Friday, Sept. 23rd, 5:30 - 7pm

Our free Community Tailgate Dinner is back! We will serve loaded nachos and drinks and then you can enjoy the home football game. The gate between the church property and football field will be open for the night.

She said YES!!

Emily Dalen has accepted the call to be our pastor that we extended to her on Sunday, Aug. 28th! She will begin on Monday, Sept. 26th. She has invited our congregation to her ordination on Sunday, Sept. 18th at 3 p.m. at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 510 N. 93rd St. in Omaha.

Golden Age Dinner Monday, Sept. 12th at Noon

If you are 70 years old or older we invite you and your spouse to join us for a delicious meal in the church fellowship hall!

Be sure to RSVP to the church office by Sept. 8th. If you need a ride to the church to attend, please mention it when you RSVP and a ride will be arranged for you.

A Harvest Dinner! Sunday, Sept. 25th, 5pm - 6:30pm

Wedded Band will be serving a Harvest Dinner! The meal will consist of a pork loin sandwich, cheesy mashed potatoes, cole slaw, green beans, and an apple dessert. The meal is intended to be an outreach to our farm families who will be busy harvesting at this time. We would like for them, their wives, and/or the farm cooks to be treated to a meal during this busy season. But at the same time, everyone is invited to join us for food, fellowship and fun.

In order to ensure we have plenty of food, we are asking that reservations be made by calling the church office, 888-487-3880. We need to know how many meals are requested, if they will be eaten in or carried out, and the name and phone number of the person making the request. Reservations will be taken until September 21st. A freewill offering will be taken, the proceeds of which will go to our Cherish Our Church fund for future projects.

In the meantime we will be praying for a bountiful and safe harvest.

“Knowing Jesus, Telling about Jesus, Loving as Jesus Loves”

St. Paul Lutheran Church information...

12 Park St, Box O, Treynor, Iowa 51575

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"



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



**Pastor's
Office Hours**

Or call the church
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an appointment
888-487-3880

CHURCH COUNCIL

Corey Vorthmann, President
Tracy Flathers, Vice President
Amber Schaaf, Secretary
Dave Key, Treasurer
JJ Pote
Kristi Kenny
Dawn Rector



MINISTRY TEAMS

The following is a list of people you can contact to ask questions or get involved:

Praise Team - Deb Schmidt

Prayer Chain - Church Office

Stewardship Team - Jan Meis, 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

Altar Guild & Holy Communion - Lynell Vorthmann

Weddings - Shirley Chambers

Funerals - Ann Vorthmann & Lynell Vorthmann

Companion Congregation Team - Roger Andersen

Technology Team - Roger Andersen, Denise Wilson

WOW - Cory Young

Jr. Lutherans - Denise Wilson, Carrie Radford

Cemetery Committee - Josh Lammert, Dennis Deitchler, Ron Thomas, Jim Karr

Bingo Team - Julie Sealock

Quilting - Berni Bichel

Bethany Lutheran Health Services Auxiliary—Norma Vorthmann

Baptism Ministry: Christina Schmidt, Carol Miller & Helga Calkins

Our sympathy and prayers to these families in the loss of their loved ones:



Ronald "Andy" Andersen's family; Larry Wilson's family (Denise's father-in-law); Carol Leaders and family; and Danie (Floerchinger) and Alex Herrington & their family in the loss of the baby. May God surround them with comfort and peace as they grieve.

Baptism Blessings!

Congratulations to Savannah Louise Andersen on her baptism on Thursday, August 25th! Her parents are Justin & Natalie Andersen and her sponsors are Bob & Glenrose Meier. May God bless Savannah as she grows in her faith and love for Jesus!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY IS BEING DELAYED

With our new pastor starting soon, Pastor Sharon has decided to hold off on starting the Sunday Bible Study.

Our Preschool still in need of help!

We are thankful to have filled many of the positions needed, but are still in need of a director and someone for our extended care program from 3pm - 6pm. Please contact Shirley Chambers at (402)651-8816 or the Preschool at (712)796-1177 for more information

A FOND FAREWELL

We are sad to say good-bye to Ron and Joy Young as they move to Des Moines to be closer to their daughter. Joy served as our Lead Parish Nurse on our Health Team of volunteer nurses. She helped develop the Parish Nurse program here at St. Paul. Her enthusiasm for health and wellness was contagious. Even during Covid-19, she helped with vaccinations in Oakland!

Ron's calm and steady presence and friendly grin also was appreciated. We are grateful for their years among us. We pray God's blessings on them in their new home. We will miss them!

Cemetery Plot Price Increase

The Cemetery Team increased the price of plots to \$300 each at their June 28th meeting, effective immediately. Members of St. Paul can purchase cemetery plots by contacting the church office.

Blood Drive on Thursday, September 15th at the Treynor Community Center from 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.



Contact Jan at 712-487-3281 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: TreynorIowa to schedule an appointment.

The Annual Tanzania Auction

The annual Tanzania Auction to support our Christian sisters and brothers in Kidugala will be **Sunday October 9th, 2022 about 9:00 a.m.** In the past we have split the money raised between the Igumbilo Girls School and the Kidugala SACCOS (Savings and Credit Cooperative Societies). They are both extremely important resources to make their lives better. In some cases the girls school is a sanctuary that keeps the girls from being married as young as 13 or 14 years old in arranged marriages.

Here are a few items that will be up for bids. All of these items are made and donated by some very special people of St Paul Church. Please come bid on some items and enjoy the food, fellowship and laughter.

Shirley Chamber is donating several Sundays of altar flowers, several Sundays of fellowship refreshments, and some baked goods. You buy the item and she does all the work in your name.

There is a beautiful quilt by Glenrose Meier.

Coretta Andersen made a quilt from the old choir robes.

Ken Andersen donated a handmade wooden atomic clock.

In the past people have donated handmade items and homemade foods for the auction –cinnamon rolls, raisin cream pies, several other kinds of pies.

There are items used by the church in the past but are not used anymore.

There will be tables set up in the basement altar area for people wanting to donate items before the day of the auction. This will allow for a chance to preview all the great items available to buy.

These are the items that we know about now but there will be many more items donated. The list should be big enough to have something on it that you really want and/or need. See you on the 9th of October at 9:00 a.m. sharp. If you cannot be at the auction but still want to bid on one or more items, there are bid sheets on the tables with the items that we currently have. Fill in the maximum amount you are willing to pay for the item and your name. You could be the lucky person to own the item.

thank you

Thank you to our quilting ladies for donating a quilt to the 35th Annual Okoboji Bible Camp Quilt Auction!
The quilt sold for \$300!

The total amount raised was about \$70,190.00! This money enables the camps to continue providing excellent youth and family programs!

Calling all quilters!

Can you tie a knot? Can you make a stitch with a needle? You are needed! St. Paul quilters continue to look for more people to help finish the quilts that will be treasured by people here at home and around the world.

We hope you will come and join us on **Tuesday, September 27th from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

“I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God’s word I hope. My soul waits for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.”

(Psalm 130:5-6)

WAITING



You voted to call a new pastor! The special congregational meeting where you made this

momentous decision was the culmination of more than a year of waiting. That’s a long time! The not knowing how or when the wait will end is the hardest part. We want to know what’s next and how things will turn out. We get impatient with the wait and tired of the uncertainty.

Even the Call Team felt it. They served a very busy ten months of meeting twice a month except for February when they met three times. They knew the steps they needed to go through to identify in which direction God was leading St. Paul and what the strengths and needs of the congregation were and what skills and gifts members were seeking in a new pastor.

Gathering all that information from the survey and conversations and then developing it into a profile took time. I am sure they, too, became impatient with how long those steps took and how long it took people to respond. Once they submitted the profile, it was out of their hands.

Isn’t that our experience in so many important aspects of our lives? We have done everything we can about a situation and then enter that unknown phase of waiting. It may be waiting to find out if you were accepted at your preferred college or program, waiting to hear if a necessary loan has been approved, awaiting test results pointing to a diagnosis and treatment, or so many other life-changers that affect us. Waiting is so hard because it reminds us that ultimately we are not in control. It is like the person standing watch, looking out for trouble or attack, but also hanging on until morning when their watch is done. They try to stay alert. They try to keep focused on the task, but it is hard to wait not knowing if anything will happen.

So what do we do with our waiting, with this enforced standing still, when all we want to do is move ahead on the issue? Psalm 130:5 gives us some insight. We hope in God’s word. In the waiting, we can place our trust in God. We can be reminded by scripture of God’s faithfulness to others who waited, who learned to trust and follow. We can dare to believe God is at work in the midst of our waiting, even when we don’t know or see how it will turn out. God is using that waiting time, even the times of doubting and impatience, to strengthen our faith and build our trust in God.

When the answer comes and the time of waiting is over, we can look back and see how God was at work. I was so struck by what Berni Bichel shared as the Call Team Chairperson. She told about when our profile was received at the Synod Office. A candidate’s profile had just been received that seemed to be an excellent match for the gifts and skills St. Paul was seeking in a pastor! It does not always happen so quickly, but in this case the timing was striking. All that slow, hard work of the Call Team ratcheted into high gear and the interview process then brought you to a vote. All that long waiting you endured was developing hope and trust in God to lead you, particularly when you felt out of control. Now that hope and trust will be used, for God does not waste any of the waiting time. Just as running and conditioning may be an athlete’s least favorite form of practice because “what does this have to do with football/volleyball/basketball/wrestling?” Yet, it may be the very thing that separates the various players and teams in a championship game at the other end of the season.. So it is in life and faith that God has been preparing you all to move forward in a new phase in the congregational life of St. Paul Lutheran. You can move forward in hope!

Pastor Sharon

SAYING GOODBYE

As my time serving as the St. Paul Interim Pastor draws to a close, I need to start saying goodbye. I want to thank you all for your warm welcome and willingness to rise to the challenges of transition. The ups and downs of change and uncertainty are not fun, but God brought us through together. For all the waiting we endured, wondering if we would ever get a candidate to interview, things certainly moved quickly at the end! (Think HYPER-speed)!

I am so excited for you about your new pastor. She brings a wonderful mix of gifts, skills, creativity and commitment to the pastoral task. I think you will really enjoy her. I am excited to see the good ministry God is going to do through your shared teamwork.

Though we all will be going through more changes with the start of new things, I am reminded of part of Paul's closing in 1 Thessalonians 5:24. "The one who calls you is faithful and God will do it.." The baptismal call we all share reminds us that God is faithful to us as we go through things. We have been stretched and strengthened in faith this past year, but we did not go through it alone. Ultimately, God will do it in and through us.

I will miss you. It helps to remember that we are still connected in the body of Christ, even if it is at a distance. I pray God's blessings on you as we all continue in our walk and adventure of faith.

"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you." 1 Thessalonians 5:28)

Pastor Sharon

Farewell to Pastor Sharon

We will have a special farewell for Pastor Sharon from 9:00-10:15 a.m. on Sunday, September 25th. Please come for coffee, treats and to share your appreciation for all she has done for St. Paul Lutheran Church!

VOTING MEMBER QUESTIONS

The special congregational meeting raised some questions about how St. Paul determines Voting Members according to our Church Constitution. The three things that determine this are: whether you are a Confirmed member; whether you communed in the past or current calendar year; and whether you made a contribution of record in either the past and current calendar year. The questions seem boil down to what it means to have communed or made a contribution of record.

The church uses the completed Communion cards from each Communion service to record who communed. Not everyone fills out the cards every time they receive Communion. However, you should complete a Communion card at least once in a calendar year when you receive Communion so that the church has a record of it.

This also carries over to contributions. Many people give cash in the offering plate. We are grateful for your gifts, but we do not know who has given it, so we are unable to record it. To give a contribution of record, at least once in the calendar year, put your gift in one of the pew envelopes with your name on it, so we can record that contribution. One person indicated that they thought the pew envelope and Communion cards were for guests, but members also use them to enable the church to record Communion and contributions.

I hope these explanations clarify how St Paul keeps the records and why some confusion arose. The intent is enable members to vote on the business of the congregation in line with how we agreed to operate in our church constitution. If you have additional questions about this or wonder about your status, feel free to talk to Pastor Sharon or call her at 515-314-8198. We want to correct or update any information that may have been recorded in error.



Church Council Minutes for August 2022

The St. Paul Church Council met on Wednesday, August 10th. All members were present except JJ, Dave and Dawn. Pastor Sharon opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

Corey called the meeting to order.

Consent items were shared and financials were reviewed for the month of July. Pastor shared her report for July. She has kept busy with updating active/inactive members in the Parish Register. This month also is St. Paul's month to lead the services at Bethany Lutheran Home.

Denise shared a written report on VBS. This year we had 99 children participate and 70 volunteers. The theme was Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness! The mission was Lutheran World Relief and the VBS kids donated \$1,339.13 to this organization. Tracy motioned to approve the consent agenda and Kristi seconded. The motion carried.

The September Church Council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13th at 6:30.

The lift dedications will take place on Sunday, September 18th at both the 8:00 and 10:30 services.

There are currently no updates on the organist replacement.

The Call Committee then provided an update. The council extends their warmest thanks and gratitude to the Call Committee for their time and dedication over the past several months.

Corey motioned and Kristi seconded that the council accept the call committee's recommendation. A special meeting of the congregation is planned to vote on extending a call and a compensation package to the candidate on August 28th after the 9:30 service. With no further business, Tracy motioned to adjourn the meeting. Kristi seconded and the motion carried.

The council meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Amber Schaaf, Secretary

The next Church Council meeting is Tuesday, September 13th, at 6:30 p.m.



Ministry Team Council Report Schedule

- September - Maintenance Team
- October - Cemetery Team
- November - Sunday School
- December - Stewardship



***Team leader - please provide a written update of your ministry to the church office a few days before the scheduled council meeting. Thank you!**

Wedded Band News!

Friends,

I've got a lot of important Wedded Band news to share with you.

First of all, we are not having a Mystery Dinner in September. We tentatively are thinking of changing this event to our February meeting. Stay tuned!

We are going to try something entirely new to Wedded Band for our September 25 activity. We'd like to host a Harvest Dinner. Here's a Readers Digest version of what that will be like. We would prepare a meal and make it available to eat in or take out. We think and hope this would be something that farmers and actually, many people would enjoy! A hot meal to take to the farmers in the field, giving the farm wives a break, or a hot meal anyone could enjoy in the church basement. Please put this activity on your calendars and be prepared to help. We're going to need help preparing, serving, cleaning up, and baking the desserts for starters. The menu tentatively is pork loin sandwiches, cheesy mashed potatoes, Cole slaw, green beans, a bottle of water (for the to-go dinners) and an apple dessert. We will be asking WB members to provide an apple dessert — apple crisp, apple pizza, apple pie ... you get the idea. We will start serving at 5:00 pm.

We are going to ask for a freewill offering with proceeds going to Cherish our Church for future projects.

A committee has been formed to oversee this event, so feel free to contact any of the following with questions:

- Peggy Sornson
- Lajean Wehring
- Berni Bichel
- Ann Vorthmann
- Glenrose Meier

I'm sure I've forgotten something, but at least now you have a good idea of what to look forward to. I think this is a good way to bless our congregation and community.

God bless you all!



Prayer List

We Pray 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.

Prayers: Lisa Dunbar; Myron Wahle; Susan Goos; Herb Sudmann; Staci Poland; Penny Buckingham (Madonna Rehab Center in Omaha); Barb Rath (in nursing home, send cards to her home address and Randy will deliver to her); Lois Von Weihe; Betty Schmidt; John Sealock; Norma Voss; Marilyn Lustgraaf; Trent Casey; Bruce Bentley; Ann Roof; Wendy Vorthmann; Palmer Vorthmann; and our members serving in the military: Logan Young and Kaelin Bruning,

Prayers For Others: Leanna Heath; Tammy Ticer; Theresa (Trede) Cravey; Andy Anderson; Dianna Smith (former member); Donna Criss; Robert Keysor; Bobby Meier; Mark Walter; Sandy Walter; Rita Epperson; Chris Rochleau; John Marty; Jill Hook; Beth Moore; Joy Weaver (Jessica Pote's mom); Rose Marie Davis; Don Korkow; Kendal Tripp; Julie Eden; Belinda VanAernam; Aubrey Greiner; Dennis Nelson; Marlon McKenzie.

Praying for those grieving the loss of loved ones: Ronald "Andy" Andersen's family; Larry Wilson's family (Denise's father-in-law); Carol Leaders & her family; Danie (Floerchinger) and Alex Herrington & their family.



Tanya Whitehill	Sept. 1st	Ava Anderson	Sept. 11th	Sonja Morton	Sept. 21st
Travis Miller	Sept. 2nd	Megan Dreyer	Sept. 11th	Brennan Mass	Sept. 22nd
Jacob Pote	Sept. 2nd	Kaden Miller	Sept. 14th	Keira Ragland	Sept. 23rd
Jeff Schrage	Sept. 2nd	Allen Hendrix	Sept. 15th	Hadley Chambers	Sept. 24th
Auston Schmidt	Sept. 3rd	Glenrose Meier	Sept. 15th	Jenna Hebing	Sept. 24th
Creed Hough	Sept. 4th	Lois Von Weihe	Sept. 15th	Morgan Darrah	Sept. 26th
Norma Vorthmann	Sept. 6th	Buck Blankenship	Sept. 17th	Addison Darrah	Sept. 26th
Corissa Madsen	Sept. 7th	Adam Hebing	Sept. 17th	Dylan Dreyer	Sept. 26th
Stephanie Melby	Sept. 7th	Sydney Melby	Sept. 18th	John Swalwell	Sept. 27th
Zachary Molde	Sept. 7th	Rick Saar	Sept. 19th	Laura Andersen	Sept. 30th
Norma Thomas	Sept. 7th	Kristin Mathern	Sept. 20th	Barbara Von Weihe	Sept. 30th
Ann Roof	Sept. 8th	Lisa Miller	Sept. 20th	Monica White	Sept. 30th
Nathan White	Sept. 9th	Teegan Lammert	Sept. 21st		
Cory Young	Sept. 9th	Asher Lammert	Sept. 21st		



September Stewardship News!

September Mission - Western Iowa Synod Home Mission

We are a very generous congregation! Each month we give money to non-profit organizations, some of which we are familiar with and others, not so much. We have been doing this for years, and we should be proud of the ways we have been able to help people through these ministries.

The designated mission for September is the Western Iowa Synod Home. The Western Iowa Synod uses the donations for many things. They are supporting many new congregations and have several they are working to rejuvenate. They support 8 Seminaries and 26 universities. Lutheran World Service and Companion Congregations are also a big part of their work. Another way our contribution helps is to support the missionaries worldwide that are bringing the Word of God to other nations.

Our monthly mission to Western Iowa Synod home is working to further the teachings of Jesus to go into the world and proclaim the "Good News".

Thank you!



August 2022 Bethany Lutheran Health Services News! Angel Watts has been named as the new **Activities Director** at the Home. When asked to tell a little something about herself she replies:

Congratulations!

Hello, Name is Angel Watts. I am the new activities director here at Bethany Lutheran Home. I have worked here with Bethany for 15 years. When I started working for Bethany I was a CNA on the floor about 5 years, I then worked as an restorative aid working with the residents. A restorative aid helps with therapy services to help maintain resident's physical function of the body. I worked as a restorative aid for 4 years. I wanted to work more with resident one on one. So, I applied for the activity assistant's position where I've worked with activities this will my 6th year. I enjoy working with the all of my residents in getting to know them and filling their interest in activities to help them live the best life that they can here at Bethany. We are open for volunteers to come and help out, play music, and spend time with any resident. Please let me know if anyone is interested in doing so. Thank you and hope to hear from you soon. The activity for the Home on the 15th of August is outdoor bowling. At the Heights they are invited to go on a country drive with Dave. On the 24th at the Heights they will have an opportunity to attend the Omaha Storm Chasers baseball game. On the 26th will be banana split social at the Home. Please continue to pray for the residents and the staff at BLHS.

Thank you Call Team!!

Thank you to our Call Team for their many months of work to get to where we are - our new pastor, Emily Dalen, will begin on Monday, September 26th!! Please take a minute to express your appreciation to our Call Team, the members are: Berni Bichel as Chairperson, Mira Dreyer, Alice Falk, Sheryl Henderson, Adrienne Karr, Bob Schmidt, John Swalwell, Kirk Vorthmann and Katie Weis.



Sunday School & CREW
will begin on
Sunday, Sept. 18th!

Sept. 11th: Rally Sunday!!
 Come for our Rally Day
 Carnival Games, Pancake
 Breakfast & Worship! See the
 front page for times.

Sept. 18th: Sunday school for
 preschool - 8th grade and
 CREW for high school youth all
 begin from 9:15am - 10:15am

5th Quarters

Friday, Sept. 2nd: for High School
 youth

Friday, Sept. 16th
 for 7th & 8th grade
 youth



5th quarters are a
 fun gathering in the youth center af-
 ter a home football game until 11 p.m.
 We have games, game tables, refresh-
 ments and snacks - come & have fun
 & bring your friends!

We are seeking some adults who can
 help supervise and some homemade
 treats too - contact Denise if you can
 help with either of these!

Please note the following youth program dates:

Confirmation

Wednesday, Sept. 7th at 6:15 pm- Weekly learning events start!
 We begin with the meal at 6:15p.m. Teaching will start at
 6:45p.m., followed by small groups at 7:45p.m. Students may be
 picked up at 8:15p.m.

***Sept. 7th, 14th & 21st** - Learning Event schedule above

***Sept. 28th** - Mentor night

SPY High School Activities

Sept. 7th at 7 pm - Cell Group begins in the youth center! We
 will start with a fun night of games & pizza!

***Sept. 7th, 14th & 21st** - we will meet in the youth center

***Sept. 28th** - we will meet in the church fellowship hall for a
 meal and project/activity.

*“Train up a child in the way he should go;
 Even when he is old he will not
 depart from it” Proverbs 22:6*

Junior Lutherans and WOW starting this month!

These ministries combine bible learning with fun games!

Junior Lutherans is for 2nd - 4th grade students and will be held on
 the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 5:30 - 6:30 pm. Our first gath-
 ering will be on **September 14th** and will be held in the youth center.

WOW (Walk One Way) is for 5th and 6th grade students and will be
 held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 pm. Our first
 WOW gathering will be on **September 21st** and will be held in the
 youth center.

Leaders needed for these groups: If you would like to help with
 either of these very important ministries, please contact Denise.

SPY Youth Can Kennel

Please donate cans or bottles between
Aug 18th thru Sep 14th

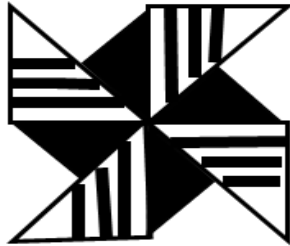
We will sort cans again on Wednesday,
 September 14th at 6:15 p.m.

We appreciate your donations of cans & bottles that will help
 with our summer mission trip expenses!



The PINWHEEL

September 2022



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

With summer winding down, the Preschool is excited to welcome 42 students after Labor Day. As we prepare these children for their future school years, we are anxious to share the wonders of God's world and Jesus' love. This opens the door for the Preschool to act as an outreach to new families, to welcome them and to assist them in getting acquainted with our church family and the Treynor community. We are pleased to welcome back staff from last year—Linda Eitmann, Judy Cryer, Alyssa Johnson, Carrie Radford and Stephanie Vogt. We welcome new staff—Charity Duey, Karen Swalwell, and Tanya Whitehill to the team. The staff met for orientation and prepared the classrooms for the school year. Parents and students visited the Preschool to meet the staff and tour the facility to get ready for the first day.

The Preschool staff asks for your prayers in helping them to follow God's guidance in leading students to recognize the importance of Jesus in their daily lives. Our goal is to teach students to appreciate and respect God's creation and His many blessings. Each day the staff prays for the health and safety of each student, and we ask the congregation to join us in praying, not only for the students, but the staff as well. May His name be glorified!

Thank You to those that helped with cleaning and outdoor tasks to get the Preschool prepared for opening day! We would like to recognize Joe Sornson for making a new wood liner in the dirt dig area and Glenrose Meier for sewing Bible bags. We would also like to acknowledge those who have donated supplies and made financial contributions to the Preschool. We are very appreciative!

ACTIVITIES: The Preschool Staff has spent time creating an outline in each curriculum area as a focus for the upcoming school year. The September classroom activities that have been planned were designed to support the following curriculum areas:

Theme: School Days

Bible Verse: God's word guides us. Psalm 119:105

Bible Truth: God gives us rules; the Bible is a special book from God; rules protect us from harm and help us care for other people and property.

Bible Stories: God Gives Rules to His People Exodus 19:1-20

Character Trait: Cooperation; Feelings

Concepts: Classroom rules; Handwashing; Center Expectations; Placement preposition

Gross Motor: Running; jumping; climbing; marching

Fine Motor: manipulatives, eye-hand coordination; sorting; lacing; snipping; tearing; finger painting; finger plays

Color: Introduction **Shape:** Introduction

Numbers: Introduction **Letters:** Introduction

Nursery Rhymes: Mary Had a Little Lamb

Resource/ Field Trip: St. Paul Lutheran Church sanctuary

Special Event: School Pictures

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

Governing Board—*Shirley Chambers, Brooke Flathers, Kayleen Sornson, Paige Temeyer, Annie Vorthmann, Sharon Weis*



Our mission at St. Paul Lutheran Preschool is to love the children, teach God's wonders and discover the love of learning.

Treynor Optimist Can Kennel

Save your cans and bottles to donate!

St. Paul Lutheran Preschool will have the can kennel
October 13-26.



2022

Mission: WIS Home Mission

Sun

Mon

Tue

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Sat

				1 8:30 a.m. Maint. Team Day 7:00 p.m. AA upstairs	2	3
4 9:00a.m. Fellowship 9:30a.m. Worship	5	6	7 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Cell Group	8 7:00 p.m. AA upstairs	9	10 12:00-5:00 p.m. Adrienne Karr Boy Scout Event
11 Rally Day 8:30-9:45a.m. Pancake Breakfast 9:00-9:45a.m. Games 10:00a.m. Worship Outside (weather permitting)	12 12:00 p.m. Golden Age Dinner 7:00 p.m. PEO F-Hall	13 6:30p.m. Church Council Meeting	14 5:30p.m. Junior Lutheran's 2nd- 4th Grade 6:00 p.m. P/S Governing Bd. In Conf. Room 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Cell Grp	15 11:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. Bloodmobile at Comm. Center 7:00 p.m. AA upstairs	16	17
18 8:00a.m. Worship 9:00a.m. Fellowship 9:15a.m. SS/Crew and Adult Bible Study 10:30a.m. Worship *Lift Dedication at both services 4:00-6:00p.m.-Silver Creek 4H/F-hall	19	20	21 5:30p.m. WOW 5th and 6th Grade 6:15 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Cell Group	22 7:00 p.m. AA upstairs	23 5:30-7:00p.m. Community Tailgate	24
25 Pastor Sharon's last Sunday ;(8:00a.m. Worship 9 - 10:15 a.m. Pastor Sharon's Farewell 9:15a.m. SS/Crew 10:30a.m. Worship 5:00-6:30 p.m. WB Harvest Dinner	26 Pastor Emily Begins ;)	27 9:00a.m.-12:00p.m. Quilting	28 6:15 p.m. Confirmation Mentor Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Cell Group Mtg. in F-hall	29 7:00 p.m. AA Upstairs	30	



September 2022 Volunteer & Music Schedule for Worship

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Musicians</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Altar Flowers</u>	<u>Welcome Team</u>
9/4/22	9:30 a.m.	Ruby Bentley	Denise Wilson	Kiera Vorthmann	Carol Miller	Doug & LaJean Wehring
9/11/22	9:30 a.m. (Rally Day)	Praise Team	None needed	**No Acolyte Needed	** Need flowers	Wehrings & Pingels
9/18/22	8:00 a.m.	Ruby Bentley	Sheryl Henderson	Lanee Wasenius	Doug & LaJean Wehring	Doug & LaJean Wehring
9/18/22	10:30 a.m.	Praise Team	None needed	Tristan Andersen		
9/25/22	8:00 a.m.	Ruby Bentley	Berni Bichel	Ethan Chambers	** Need flowers	Doug & LaJean Wehring
9/25/22	10:30 a.m.	Praise Team	None needed	Colton Clemens		Kevin & Ann Pingel

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 last service.

Shirley Chambers is willing to make flower arrangements for the Altar for a donation to the Pre-School scholarship fund. This way the money you would have spent at a florist instead helps support the Pre-School. That's a win-win! Contact Shirley at (402)651-8816.

Thank you, Shirley for sharing your gifts with us, and to all who sign up to provide flowers, for beautifying our worship space.

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. Thank you!

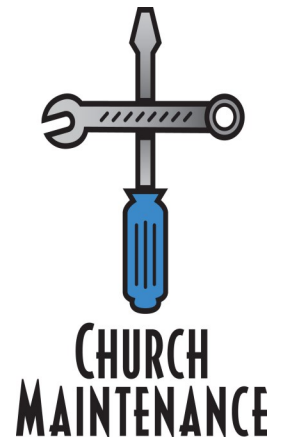
Tellers for September

Sept. 4th - Brandon Vorthmann
Sept. 11th - Brandon V. & Bob Schmidt
Sept. 18th - Brandon V. & Bob S.
Sept. 25th - Brandon V. & Bob S.

St Paul Workday August 4th, 2022

There were 5 people who helped with the work day – Coretta and Ken Andersen, LaJean and Doug Wehring, and Roger Andersen.

- Checked the AED and oxygen tank as a monthly task
- Put water in all the floor drains as a monthly task
- Checked the preschool water softener – OK for now
- Checked the heat pump fins to make sure they were not covered with excess dirt
- Checked the A/C fins to see if they needed cleaning
- Restarted old computer several time for updates
- Burned the fire pit limbs
- Last curb stop south of handicap stalls is breaking – switched it with the one holding the dumpster
- Declared war on the moles – put poison gummy worms in some of their runs
- Trimmed more of the carpet seams upstairs
- Put a bigger screw in the church entry ceiling vent to keep it from falling
- Cleaned the banner room and patched a hole in the plaster with some drywall
- Trimmed the bushes
- Worked on the SPY storm door to get it to close completely



We schedule the work day for the first Thursday of every month, so join us September 1st for some “fun,” and probably homemade cookies 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
- Dennis has been mowing if the grass grows enough without rain
- Trimmed the grass around the buildings, trees, fences, and post a couple times
- Ken sprayed the yews for spiders
- Ken replaced the broken protective lectern plastic and add added one to the pulpit
- LaJean painted several of the blackboards that needed it
- Planning to remove the crabapple tree and pine tree by the marque after the leaves are gone to increase the view of the church
- Burned the fire ring limbs
- Kirk hauled away a couple bags of weeds that would not burn very well
- Nate Eckley has been working on Facebook
- Mark Sornson finished the lift area trim work
- Returned ice cream freezers to sub-basement
- Moved an old computer monitor to sub-basement
- Ken trimmed more preschool trees
- Extended CAT5 from sanctuary laptop to office router
- Put hanging cords in Denise’s office in plastic raceway
- Switched fluorescent light in Denise’s office to LEDS - 1 bulb was bright enough
- Kirk got sacristy outside door to lock
- More lift paint touch-ups and other small projects
- Relabeled the entry electrical panel
- Kirk took some bags of weeds to burn
- Cut 2 special triangular lift door keys to make 4
- Doug painted the floor in the storage room and under the new lift
- Cleaned the coffee pot lime buildup
- Installed a setback thermostat in the church entry

The OMG (Old Maintenance Group)



**Next maintenance workday:
Thursday, September 1st at 8:30 a.m.
All are welcome to come and help!**

TOWER TALK

St Paul Lutheran Church

Box O 12 Park St

Treynor, IA 51575

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

DATED MATERIAL

September 1, 2022

WE ARE BLESSED AT ST PAUL!

Worship schedule

8:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

9:00 a.m. Fellowship

**9:15 a.m. Sunday School/CREW/
Adult Bible Study**

10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship

**Adult bible study, Sunday School and CREW
will begin September 18th at 9:15 a.m.**



GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!!