

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School

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Monthly Newsletter

"Equip, Support, Serve and Witness Where God Calls Us!"

July 2020



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JULY DATES OF INTEREST

July 4	Happy Independence Day
July 1	Wednesday Bible Class Begins
July 20	Yearly Calendar Planning Meeting



Welcome Pastor Jakob Andrzejewski

The Rev. Jakob Andrzejewski, pronounced (On-J-F-Ski), will become the 19th pastor at the historic St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, established 1873, in downtown Royal Oak today as of this writing.

As the new pastor Jakob Andrzejewski's priority is relying on God's leadership and guidance. He has been praying for this ministry since childhood. As a seminary student he received his first call, or placement, here at St. Paul Lutheran Church and School. This was an answer to ours and his prayers.

"Blessings and challenges, trials and rewards, labor and rest" embrace the package of a pastor's life. God equipped Rev. Andrzejewski for ministry. He grew up as a PK (pastor's kid). The knowledge and experiences shared in his home set him on the track to success. Developing strong personal bonds is one of his strengths. He is bringing to St. Paul the skill of building relationships, both one-on-one and corporately. His earnest, energetic enthusiasm is contagious. Opportunity exists everywhere with all the various people and groups at St. Paul. Opportunity also exists with the Royal Oak community. Pastor Andrzejewski will be assisting with as many activities as possible and implementing his own outreach ministries.

After high school Andrzejewski enrolled in the law enforcement curriculum at Eastern Michigan University. It did not seem quite right. That summer after his freshman year, he faced a choice. While playing on a select baseball team, he suffered a severe injury accompanied by a miracle. As he asked God, "Why did this happen?", Andrzejewski sensed that he was to follow God's original plan to become a minister. He enrolled at Concordia College, Ann Arbor in the pre-ministerial program. He majored in Social Psychology with a minor in Biblical languages. There he met Rachel, who is now his wife and companion. He completed his pastoral studies at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

As he is installed and takes on the role of becoming the pastor of St. Paul Lutheran in Royal Oak, how will God's good plan for all of us unfold? God knows. We pray.

SCHOOL MINISTRY



St. Paul Lutheran School

100+ Years of God's Grace

Our Mission

"Equip, Support, Serve and Witness Where God Calls Us!"

Statement of Purpose

St. Paul Lutheran School equips children for a life of service with a foundation of academic, physical, spiritual, and social maturity centered around Christ Jesus.

by Dr. Margie Baldwin, Principal



The entire educational community was caught off guard when the quarantine was mandated. I'm so grateful for our teachers who stepped up and for the graciousness of our families who partnered with us to provide educational continuity this past school year. I never want to be caught off guard again which is why we are planning now. We have identified areas where we can improve and also ways that we can be ready in case the virus does not subside. At the end of July we will send you a detailed plan listing initiatives that will provide you with health measures and precautions we will take with cleaning and sanitization procedures. Listed below are scenarios one and two that we know for certain that we will enact. We have additional contingency plans as well.

Scenario #1: We resume school as normal. School will be in session every day with a regular schedule. However, initially we will start by greeting students at the doors by taking digital temperatures, wearing masks will be optional, social distancing as much as possible (use the sanctuary for choir and hand bell class), regularly sanitize the classroom, and students wash hands throughout the day. We will increase our technology training for teachers and students so that if quarantine becomes a reality, we are far more prepared and knowledgeable.

Scenario # 2: If another quarantine is required. We immediately transition to teaching online. However, this time we are experienced and more prepared. We will provide training and more support to our parents so that they won't feel so burdened. We will provide our students with more resources as well. The Pre-school will remain open, and we hope to serve the families of essential workers.

Our size provides us with the opportunity to adapt quickly and be flexible in our responses to this crisis. We have plenty of room between the church and school to spread out and socially distance as we teach. Please share this with your friends and neighbors who are looking for a quality educational experience. We have added a virtual tour on the website that will allow people to tour or I am available for in person tours. Also, I am looking for some families who would be willing to mentor new, incoming families. Basically, you will greet the parents and students and provide support as needed. That way everyone will have friends on the first day of school. If you are willing, please just email me at baldwin.margiel@gmail.com.

The beauty of St. Paul Lutheran School is that our trust is in Christ alone. We are asking Him for wisdom to guide us during this time of unknowns. May you have a great summer!

SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2020-21

It is time for reenrollment for next school year. *"Training your child in the way that they should go, and when they are old they will not turn from it".* (Proverbs 22:6)

REMINDER! Please send in your school registration for K-8th of \$400. Preschool registration is \$130. You may mail in your registration to 508 S. Williams Street, Royal Oak 48067 or stop by. If you would like to stop by, please call first. You may also register in August, in person, see our calendar dates below.



Upcoming Calendar Events

August	September
27 - 5-7:00 p.m. – Registration/Drop-in	4 - No School
28 - 9-Noon – Registration/Drop-in	7 - Labor Day – No School
30 - Teacher Installation	15 - 6:30 – PTL Back to School Nite
31 - First Day of School – Dismissed at Noon	18 - 6:30 – PTL Family Nite

MINISTRY

Calendar Planning Meeting

Every July we have a calendar planning meeting to go over the next year's calendar events for 2020-21. This will be held on Monday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the church lounge. If you are a board or committee member or someone who needs something put on the calendar, please attend this meeting. Contact the church office if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT: Wearing a mask is expected of each worshiper during the sung and spoken portions of our service. The acts of speaking, singing, coughing and sneezing are the primary ways of spreading the virus to others. Worshipers may remove their masks during the "extended listening" portions of worship, such as the scripture readings and sermon. Pastors and worship leaders will wear masks

when interacting with the congregation. They will not, however, wear masks as they lead worship because of their significant distance from the congregation. Remember, wearing a mask is for **your** safety and the safety of your St. Paul family.

The Much Anticipated Return!

Wednesday morning Bible class resumes this coming Wednesday, July 1, at 10:00 a.m. Bring your own Bible and, if you wish, a snack and something to drink. We will briefly summarize and review the Gospel of John chapters 1-13 before continuing with chapter 14. All are welcome! We will be wearing masks and social distancing in the lounge.



College Students! Tuition Loan Funds are available from the Lydia Goff Fund

for College-bound youth. An application is available in the church office. **Deadline** to apply is **September 1, 2020**. For questions or information, please contact Brian Hermann, 248-855-1703 or email him at brihermann@comcast.net.

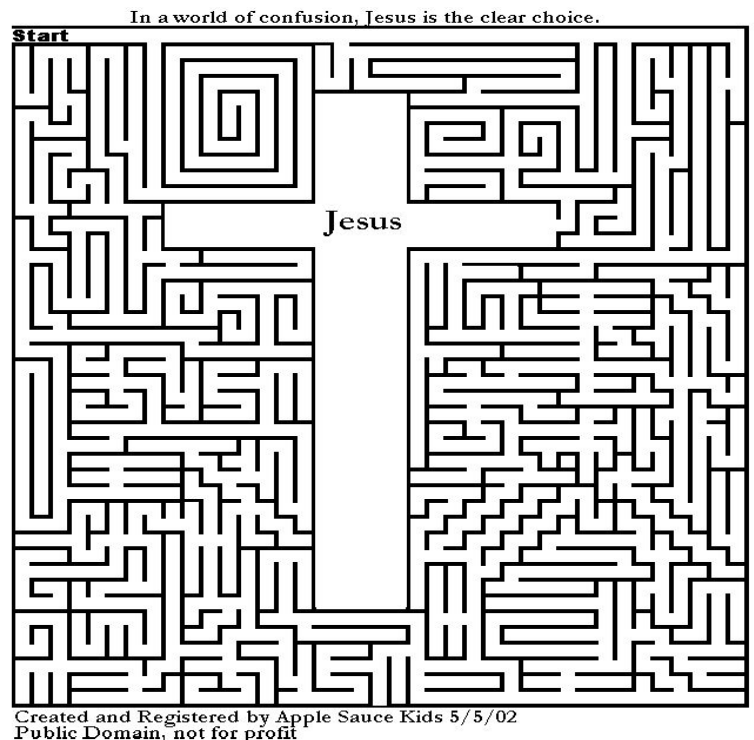
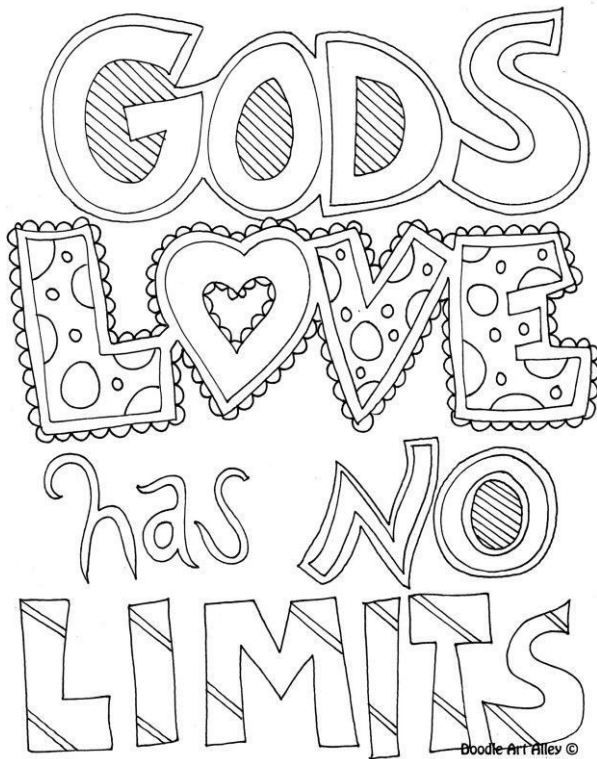


Attention High School & College Grads!!

We create a display board of all our youth who graduated this year either from high school or college. We are hoping to get pictures of our graduates with name, school name and degree (if college); and if in high school, name, school graduated from and planned college you will be attending. Please turn these into the church office or send to prod-way@stpaulroyal oak.org. Photos will be returned per your request.

Color Me

KIDS KORNER



MINISTRY



Pregnancy Center
Berkley | Detroit

**Walk for Life at the
DETROIT ZOO!
Saturday,
August 8, 2020**



MEN'S RETREAT September 10-13, 2020 'Remember, Rejoice and Renew'

We are excited to announce that the Walk for Life will have a new venue and look for 2020. Instead of meeting in July as usual, we will be meeting at the Detroit Zoo on August 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. It is our long term goal to create a Walk for Life that unites the entire pregnancy center community across Metro Detroit.

Walk For Life is a fun, family-focused celebration of LIFE! It is the most important walk you will ever walk because of the impact it will have on saving lives! Money raised during our annual WFL impacts thousands of women, families and teens in our community and beyond each year. Whether our client is a mother-to-be facing an unplanned pregnancy, a family wishing to deliver their baby in a loving, medical environment, a teenager who is learning the impact of their choices on their future, or a single mother looking for a place to call home – we are here to support these precious lives and help lead them toward a bright future.

Funds raised help to underwrite these free services: Pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, Parenting Program, Man2Man program, Baby Boutique, maternity clothing, abortion recovery series, and youth development programs in our local schools. Your steps DO make a difference for LIFE!

To help raise awareness and money to help moms and dads or for more information to register and time start, please go online and visit us at:
www.carenetberkleydetroit.org/events/walk-for-life

Join members of the Lutheran Laymen's League and St. Paul and other area churches for a long weekend of recreation and fellowship. Golf, play softball and enjoy the outdoor offerings of Michigan in the late summer. Bible study and worship opportunities are offered throughout the weekend.

Since 1946, laymen of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod have gathered annually at Camp Arcadia for fellowship, recreation (including golf, softball, and local mountain bike trails), relaxation, and most importantly praising God and growing their faith. Whether you are a first timer or returning, you are invited to this multi-generational retreat. Special contributions as well as Sunday's worship offering is sent to Lutheran Hour Ministries.

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer has been serving as the 10th president of Concordia Seminary, St Louis, since 2005. In addition to his role as president, he serves as professor of practical theology. He was speaker of The Lutheran Hour radio program from 1989-2001. His service to our Savior spans more than 40 years. His areas of interest and study include 1 Peter, the church in a changing culture, and the Sabbath applied to life today.

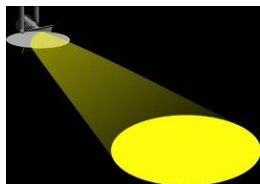
Registration online at camp-arcadia.com, under Attend Arcadia, New 2020 Schedule, LLL Men's Retreat.



BIBLE VERSE'S OF THE MONTH CHURCH YEAR — SERIES A



Date	Festival	First Reading	Psalm	New Testament	Gospel
July 5 (Proper 9)	Fifth S. a. Pentecost	Zech. 9:9-12	Psalm 145:1-14	Rom. 7:14-25a	Matt. 11:25-30
July 12 (Proper 10)	Sixth S. a. Pentecost	Is. 55:10-13	Psalm 65:(1-8) 9-13	Rom. 8:12-17	Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23
July 19 (Proper 11)	Seventh S. a. Pentecost	Is. 44:6-8	Psalm 119:57-64	Rom. 8:18-27	Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43
July 26 (Proper 12)	Eighth S. a. Pentecost	Deut. 7:6-9	Psalm 125	Rom. 8:28-39	Matt. 13:44-52



Spotlight on Service

It is an exciting time for the St. Paul family! On June 28th, Pastor Andrzejewski becomes our congregation's new Pastor. We have a wonderful reason to look forward to seeing God's work in our congregation and community as His called candidate begins his ministry here.

While we have much to look forward to, for this month's spotlight on service, let's reflect and take a moment to look back at the last year or so, as members of St. Paul and leaders of LCMS Michigan District helped navigate through the Pastoral Divine Call Process. It is probably not widely known how many individuals volunteered their time and talent to support the many steps involved through out the process. Congregational leaders initially contact the Elders, the LCMS Michigan District, the Board of Elders and the Church Council. Those different groups along with key called staff members, were engaged and educated on the initial steps to begin to request a call list. A diverse group of congregational members, leaders and staff were pulled together to facilitate the next steps as part of the formal Call Committee. Members of the congregation participated in providing feedback via surveys to see what kind of spiritual leader the congregation collectively desires. Other members of the congregation participated in voters' meetings to receive call updates and to decide how to proceed. Other Local Pastors provided guidance and leadership to our congregation. Lastly, there are even more people, members and friends of St. Paul, who prayed during the entire process. If you take a minute to add of the total people involved, it is easy to get into the hundreds – all actively serving!

Now, think about all those people collaborating under God's guidance and the time, effort and energy they gave. The Call Process itself can be challenging. The time requirements can be overwhelming. When the process doesn't necessarily go in the direction expected, it can be confusing. Waiting for the next step, the next meeting, the next list, can be unsettling. Consider the time, the organization, the interviews, the meetings, the phone calls and correspondence that took place along the way. Throughout, God had His plan. He provided St. Paul with the right people to lead through it all. The collective commitment from so many, in addition to their regular lives with work and family, and for some, taking away time from those important things, is a tremendous example of faithful stewardship! God has blessed us all. Now, as get to know Pastor Andrzejewski, let his presence in our congregation be a reminder not only of God's love for us, but also of the time and talents God worked through to bring him here. For all the call committee members, thank you for prayerfully and diligently leading the congregation through the Call Process. To all the other people listed who were actively engaged and praying for the Call Process, thank you!



Independence Day of the United States, also referred to as the Fourth of July or July Fourth in the U.S., is a federal holiday commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence 244 years ago in 1776 on July 4th by the Continental Congress

The church offices will be closed July 3-6 for
Independence Weekend

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY 4th!!

Church NOTES

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PRAYERS

Church Boards

Board of Education
Board of Elders
Board of Evangelism
Fund Operating
Music Ministry
Board of Stewardship
Board of Trustees
Women's Guild
Board of Youth

Prayers for our Homebound

Marion Havrilla
Leona Jackson
Margaret Kulmann
Alan Lacey
Betty Saunders
Jean Schneider
Charlette Schroeder
Ralph Schroeder
Kathleen Ulrich
Don Whitbeck

Prayer for our Missionary
Rachel Meyer in Uganda

Prayers for Military

Eric Banker
Mark Bowdich
Paul Bowdich
Matthew Canfield
Sam Eskew
Brandon Newton
Brendan Sharp
Hayden Sharp
Joe VanDamme
Tirzah VanDamme
Jason Zuniga
Gabrielle Zuniga

To Add/Remove a prayer,
please email the office at
prodway@stpaulroyaloak.org.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

St. Paul Church

In memory of *Jean Frincke* by Mr. & Mrs. Eric Pittman,
Mr. & Mrs. Art Steiber, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. William Widen

In memory of *Shirley Lenz* by Sue Beyerlein, Mr. & Mrs. Art
Steiber, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Bob Rutledge

In memory of *Mary Ann Peludat* by Mr. & Mrs. Michael
Viglione

In memory of *Betty Saunders* by Mr. & Mrs. Steven Snell,
Donna Snell, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Rutledge, Mr. & Mrs. Art
Steiber, Sr.

In memory of *Michael Kanable* by Mr. & Mrs. James
Charnawskas

In memory of *Jackie Harris* by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Rutledge

In memory of *Laverne Nancarrow* by Mr. & Mrs. Bob
Rutledge

St. Paul School

In memory of *Betty Saunders* by Mr. & Mrs. Chester
Limbaugh,

Needy Families/Food Fund

In memory of *Mary Ann Peludat* by Mr. & Mrs. Eric Pittman

GIFTS—Donate to the church by giving a memorial or honorarium by using the card located in the lobby. This is a two part card, one to go with the gift to the church and the other to be mailed to the family. Or you may make a donation by mailing it in and specify for who and by whom. Questions, call the church office, 248-541-0613.



Show me your ways,
O LORD, teach me your
paths; guide me in your
truth and teach me, for
you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all
day long.

Psalms 25:4-5


July 2020

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C=Communion, WBC=Women's Bible Class, AIC=Adult Info Class, EIP=Education Intervention Program, YA=Young Adults, SS=Sunday School

JULY BIRTHDAYS

If we've missed listing your birthday, please contact the church office 248-541-0613

A decorative border featuring a stylized American flag with stars and stripes, framing the birthday list.

02	Janet Dunker Chris Grider Krista Zenk	17	Thomas Canfield
05	Bill Carpenter	18	Charlyn Fuchs
06	Maryann Braun Karl Kienman Deborah Lienard	19	Dave Eifert Sheralyn Floyd Alaina Muse Debra Rauvala Jean Schneider Angela Shaw
08	Julie Grider Rachael Shipp	21	Cheryl Geppert
09	Evan Bowlds James Charnawskas Laura Guilmette Monica Smyth	22	Lynda Dirkse Edwin Horvath Cheryl Morey
10	Ivan Woelmer	23	Debra Kratt Chris Schultz William Womack
12	Allen Kerkes Louis Lefere	25	Rebekah Harris Donna McMinn Christine Petri
14	Mia Cunningham Curtis Eason, III	26	Natalie Garcia
15	Daisy Laird Kurt Petersen	29	Ben Schultz
16	Declan Ball Heidi Bowdich		