

The Masthead

Monthly Newsletter

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

August 2020



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AUGUST DATES OF INTEREST

27-28	School Registration Drop-in
30	Teacher Installation
31	First Day of School & Opening Chapel

From Pastor's Desk

To the brothers and sisters at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Royal Oak, Michigan- a much anticipated and a very warm hello to you! What an incredible journey it has been for all of us in this time and point. Personally, this journey for both me and my wife to answer the divine call to Royal Oak has been one that we will never forget and always cherish. While the current circumstances surrounding the church during this time of pandemic hasn't been ideal in any sense of the word, we still consider ourselves so incredibly blessed and unreservedly loved as we are welcomed into the beautiful and historical St. Paul.

For as long as I can remember, I have been praying for this church. Ever since I was a little boy, I grew up so passionately wanting to become a pastor. My father, Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski of Historic Trinity Lutheran Church in Detroit, along with my mother Kristen, raised their family in the church which means my heart has always been centered where the saints are gathered. My eyes have always been fixed where our Lord reveals himself in Word and Sacrament. My soul has always found comfort and rest where the hymns of our salvation are so wonderfully sung. Now, here at St. Paul, my prayers are answered; my heart is centered; my eyes are fixed; and my soul rejoices with you as we gather together as people of one faith, one body, and one Lord!

I am so honored and blessed beyond measure to be called as your pastor at St. Paul. My wife and I are so eager to begin such a fruitful relationship with each of you here. While the Lord overflows my cup here at St. Paul, He has also provided for my wife, Rachel, who has been called to serve as a teacher at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church in Birmingham. Her vision and passion for the church also reflects that of mine as she has been brought up in the Lutheran church by her father Rev. Stephen Niermann and her mother Bonnie in Napoleon, Ohio.

Both of us together have been anxiously awaiting and unceasingly praying our entire lives for this opportunity to serve the church. Now, we start a new journey- and we start it with all of you! Know that as we begin a new journey together, it is our prayer that the Holy Spirit continues to dwell within us richly in body and soul (1 Cor. 14:26); that the Lord eternally abides with us in Word, Sacrament, and fellowship (Matt. 18:20); and that by the love we share together through the infinite gifts of our Savior, we may always pray for and encourage one another as we eagerly look forward to the Son of Man returning in all of His power and glory (Hebrews 10:25).

Let us rejoice and be glad in this!
Pastor Andrzejewski

MINISTRY

Bible Class

Interest—Pastor Andrzejewski is itching to launch into our Sunday morning Bible Class once again! Our plan is to follow suit with how the schools will open: whether it will be in-person gatherings or zoom gatherings. Since we are still waiting to hear which one that may be, we will be using that time to make sure everyone has an opportunity to sign up for Bible Class at the welcome center. Due to CDC guidelines, we will be taking precautionary measures to make sure everyone has the opportunity to sit in while maintaining 6 feet of space for the Holy Spirit in between tables and chairs. With the sign up sheet, it will help us



organize the lounge for social distancing. August 23rd is our opening date for Bible Class. Sign up and reserve your spot today!

Wednesday Morning Bible Class

meets at 10:00 a.m. Bring your own Bible and, if you wish, a snack and something to drink. We will continue with the Gospel of John. 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.

Operation Christmas Child—

With each month, a different item will be listed that is collected for the **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes** to be sent in October to less fortunate children around the world for Christmas. Please save items and drop off and place in wood box in lobby coatroom. August collection: **Toothbrushes**

Color Me

KIDS KORNER



<http://www.educationalcoloringpages.com>

Kids Bible Wordsearch

Plants of the Bible

Fit the words in the list into the diagram below reading forward, backward, up, down, diagonally, always in a straight line.

Puzzle #5

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MINISTRY



Pregnancy Center
Berkley | Detroit

**Walk for Life via
ZOOM
Saturday,
August 8, 2020**

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.

We are excited to announce that the Walk for Life will have a new venue for 2020 as we continue this tradition fundraiser. Instead of meeting in July as usual, we will be meeting at the Detroit Zoo on August 8 with Zoom kickoff at 9 am. Team St. Paul RO needs your support for CareNet Pregnancy Center Berkley/ Detroit. Gay Eskew a member of St. Paul, is walking again this year. Please join the St. Paul - RO team through participation by walking, supporting or contributing. Checks may be made out to CareNet or donations may be made online. 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!



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

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.

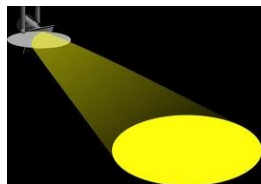
Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer has been serving as the 10th president of Concordia Seminary, St Louis, since 2005. In addition to his role as president, he serves as professor of practical theology. He was speaker of The Lutheran Hour radio program from 1989-2001. His service to our Savior spans 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.



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



Date	Festival	First Reading	Psalms	New Testament	Gospel
Aug. 2 (Proper 13)	Ninth S. a. Pentecost	Is. 55:1–5	Psalms 136:1–9 (23–26)	Rom. 9:1–5 (6–13)	Matt. 14:13–21
Aug. 9 (Proper 14)	Tenth S. a. Pentecost	Job 38:4–18	Psalms 18:1–9 (7–16)	Rom. 10:5–17	Matt. 14:22–33
Aug. 16 (Proper 15)	Eleventh S. a. Pentecost	Is. 56:1, 6–8	Psalms 67	Rom. 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32	Matt. 15:21–28
Aug. 23 (Proper 16)	Twelfth S. a. Pentecost	Is. 51:1–6	Psalms 138	Rom. 11:33–12:8	Matt. 16:13–20
Aug. 30 (Proper 17)	Thirteenth S. a. Pentecost	Jer. 15:15–21	Psalms 26	Rom. 12:9–21	Matt. 16:21–28



Spotlight on Service

From the old African proverb that says, “It takes a village to raise a child”, we realize that a child is influenced by everyone they encounter. Similarly, it may take a whole congregation to share God’s love- especially when it comes to a smooth-running Sunday morning service! While everyone can readily acknowledge the contribution of the pastor, music director, praise band, and choir;

there are many other members working before, during, and after the service. Today, I would like to highlight some of these positions.

Many volunteers are involved with pre-service preparation. The bulletin and its inserts must be typed, run off, and folded. If you prefer using the screens rather than the bulletin and hymnals, you can be thankful to the person who types the service for the screens. Someone makes sure the cards, envelopes, and pencils are ready for use in the pews (pre-pandemic). Children’s activity packets are checked and refurbished. Members of the altar guild make sure the altar area is clean and ready for each service. Flowers are ordered and placed on the altar area. If a service includes the Lord’s Supper, an elder will need to get the communion ware ready and placed on the altar. Banners are made for children’s baptisms. Elders and trustees make sure the church is open, lights are on, and heat/air are working.

During the service, you probably have noticed many helpful parishioners. The ushers, who passed out bulletins before the service, are now taking the offering and guiding us to the Lord’s Supper. Elders help with the distribution of communion. There are techs who run the screen, tend to the sound system, and live stream the service. Candles are lit and extinguished by acolytes. Members take turns reading the Old Testament and Epistle lessons. The children are invited to come up and hear a message prepared for them by a church member.

Even after the Sunday morning services, many individuals are serving the Lord. The communion ware is cleaned and stored. The offering is counted and recorded. Attendance is recorded. During this pandemic, the sanctuary is sanitized between services. If there was a baptism, a card is sent out to the parents. Lights are turned out and doors are locked.

We are told In 1st Peter Chapter 4 that we all have received gifts to serve one another in order that in everything God may be glorified. All the stewards mentioned above are doing just that. Let us ever be thankful for all those who serve us by helping make our worship services possible. If anyone is interested in serving in any of these capacities, please notify the church office.

This Place of Love

by Katy Kauffman

This is where I rest

This is where my anxious thoughts run away

I am safe here

I have peace in this place

This place is Your love

This is where I relent

This is where I cease my striving

I let go here

I release my control in this place

This place is Your love

This is where I am healed

This is where I take my wounded soul

I am cleansed here

I made whole in this place

This place is Your love

This is where I am held

This is where I shed my tears and weep

I am comforted here

I find a loving embrace in this place

This place is Your love

Wherever I am

Whatever I do

Whenever in my life

You will find me here

In this place of love

“As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love.” John 15:9

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



Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran School! Our school has been providing quality education in downtown Royal Oak for over 100 years to church families and non-member families.

St. Paul Lutheran School is committed to academic excellence, and the development of mind, body and spirit. Our dedicated teachers and staff create a nurturing environment that promotes motivation, self-discipline and respect for others. The smaller classes ensure that every student receives the help and encouragement they need to achieve their full potential. Come check us out! We would be happy to set up a tour of our school for you or you may go online to www.stpaulroyaloak.org for a virtual tour. If you have questions, contact us at 248-546-6555.

SCHOOL FALL ENROLLMENT

"Training your child in the way that they should go, and when they are old they will not turn from it". (Proverbs 22:6)

Registration fees 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 at 248-546-6555. You may also register in person at our drop-in at the school. See our calendar dates below.

Teacher Installation will be held Sunday, August 30 during the worship services.

St. Paul Lutheran School



**Providing a Quality
Christian Education
for over 100 Years**

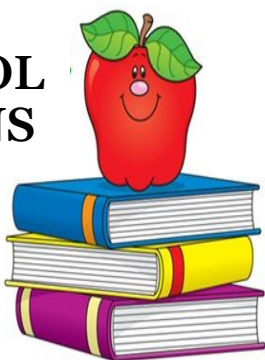
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Small Class Size



Home of the Vikings

SCHOOL BEGINS



**AUGUST
31, 2020**

Upcoming Calendar Events

August

27 - 5-7:00 p.m. –
Registration/Drop-in

28 - 9-Noon –
Registration/Drop-in

30 - **Teacher Installation**

31 - **First Day of School** –
Dismissed at Noon

September

4 - **No School**

7 - Labor Day – **No School**

15 - 6:30 – PTL Back to School
Nite

18 - 6:30 – PTL Family Nite

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 *Mary Ann Peludat* by Kathy Gray,
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Cibula

In memory of *Wilma Sigman* by Chester &
Beverly Limbaugh, Clara Lichtenberg,
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Rutledge

Lydia Wiedbush Fund

In memory of *Ronald Lee Phillips* by
Phyllis Coutts

In memory of *Manny Till* by Phyllis Coutts

Technology Fund

In memory of *Cliff Van Nest* by Donna Snell

Music Fund

In appreciation of *Jane Schultz* and *Mr. Greg Paul*
by Mr. & Mrs. William Womack

St. PAUL OFFICIAL ACTS

Pastoral Installation

Rev. Jakob Andrzejewski 6-28-2020

Funerals/Memorials

Wilma Sigman 7-25-2020

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Transferred In:

Mr. Rolaant McKenzie
1431 E. Granet Ave
Hazel Park, MI 48030



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August 2020

All events are tentative and subject to change. Contact the church office for verification.

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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, P/T=Parent/Teacher

August Birthdays

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

01 Jeffrey Szerdi

**15 Ora Smith
Carla Squire**

02 LeAndre' Turner II

18 Russell Petersen

04 Daniel Bock

19 Zachariah Smith

**07 Maria Ciccone
Eben Woelmer**

20 Stacy Ruszkowski

**08 David Beardsley
Jean Walker**

21 Parker James

**09 James Baker
Aeden Lienard-
Meerschaert**

22 Alexander Hammond

**10 Arthur Peludat
Margie Topous**

**23 Imani Mitchell
Nathan Petri**

**11 Billy Fortner
Diane Heckman**

**24 Vicki Kienman
Janica Smith**

12 Angela Hillenbrand

**25 Benjamin Kienman
Karen Long
Kaytlyn Muse**

14 Greg Paul

**27 Kevin Petri
Don Storck**