

The Masthead

Monthly Newsletter

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



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REV. JAKOB ANDRZEJEWSKI

JUNE SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Pre-School Graduation
School All Day Picnic
School Summer Vacation Begins
Vacation Bible School
Father's Day
Voter's Meeting



"Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious" LSB 495

A hymn from Great Britain for Ascension.

This hymn of strength proclaiming Christ rule in heaven is from the Irish hymnwriter, Thomas Kelly. Kelly lived in Ireland from 1769 – 1855 and was for a time a clergyman in the Church of Ireland. As he was more evangelical in his theology he left the Church of Ireland and was an independent Christian preacher in the last decades of his life. He wrote many hymns, four of which are in our hymnal: "We Sing the Praise of Him Who died (LSB 429), Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted" (LSB 451), "The Head That Once Was Crowned With Thorns (LSB 532), and finally, Look Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious" (LSB 495). Kelly found inspiration for this hymn in the visions recorded in Revelation. Our hymnal lists Hebrews 2:9 as a verse connected with this hymn. "Christ has ascended to the right hand of the Father. With eyes of faith, we now see Jesus---who suffered death for us all---crowned with glory and honor."



MR. GREGORY PAUL
MUSIC MINISTER/TEACHER

The tune is one of several great Welsh tunes in our hymnal. It lifts us upward by its melodic line, rugged rhythm and powerful chords. The tune name, "Bryn Calfaria," translates to "Mount Calvary." It is described by one of the most prominent hymnologists, Erik Routley, as "a piece of real Celtic rock." You know and like several other tunes from the Welsh that are in Lutheran Book of Worship. They include: God of Grace and God of Glory (LSB 850), Savior When in Dust to Thee (LSB 419), Our Father By Whose Name (863), Christ, The Lord, is Risen Today (LSB 463), Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us (LSB 851), and Go My Children With My Blessing (LSB 922). Open up the following Youtube video to hear this powerful Ascension hymn. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oMKLc7bE6OE>

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious; See the Man of Sorrows now!
From the fight returned victorious, Every knee to Him Shall bow.
Crown Him!
Crowns become the victor's brow. Crowns become the victor's brow.

Crown the Savior! Angels, crown Him! Rich the trophies Jesus brings;
On the seat of pow'r enthroned Him while the vault of heaven rings.
Crown Him!
Crown the Savior King of kings. Crown the Savior King of kings.

Sinners in derision crowned Him, Mocking thus the Savior's claims.
Saints and angels crowd around Him, Own His title, praise His name.
Crown Him!
Spread abroad the victor's fame. Spread abroad the victor's fame.

Hark, those bursts of acclamation! Hark, those loud triumphant chords!
Jesus takes the highest station; Oh, what joy the sight affords!
Crown Him!
King of kings and Lord of lords!
King of kings and Lord of lords!

Gregory Paul

MINISTRY



MY FAREWELL THANK YOU

After more than 30 wonderful years serving as secretary here at the church, the time has come for me to retire. It's a bittersweet moment—I'm filled with gratitude for all the memories, the friendships, and the shared faith that have been such a big part of my life.

This church has been more than just a workplace; it's been a second home and a spiritual family. I've put my children through the school here, witnessed baptisms, weddings, funerals, celebrations, and countless moments of grace and growth. I feel so honored to have been a small part of this beautiful journey with all of you.

To all the pastors, staff, volunteers, and congregation I've worked with, (too many to count)—thank you. Your kindness, support, and encouragement have meant the world to me.

Though I may be stepping away from my role, I'll still be around—just from a different seat in the pews. I'm looking forward to new beginnings, some rest, and spending more time with family. But I'll always carry the joy and love from this chapter of my life in my heart. May God continue to bless this church and all of you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Pam Rodway

79th Annual Lutheran Layman's League presents Men's Retreat at Camp Arcadia in Arcadia, MI

Men, join the Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL) for a weekend of spiritual growth, fellowship, relaxation and recreation.

The theme of this year's retreat is ***"UNITY IN CHRIST" based on Romans 6:5***
September 4-7, 2025

Retreat Speaker: Rev. David Davis, the President of the Michigan District of the LCMS, also with Retreat Chaplains and a Laymen Presenter

Cost: \$290 with \$125 deposit for the weekend and dining included
Details at camp-arcadia.com or scan code.



NOTES & SUCH

ELECTRONIC GIVING Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, St. Paul Lutheran Church & School relies on your regular contributions. St. Paul offers a convenient electronic giving option to help you keep up with your intended offerings. There are two ways to get started: The easiest and fastest way, enroll at our website www.stpaulroyaloak.org. or you can complete an Electronic Giving Authorization form (available in the church lobby) and

return to the church office. For questions, contact LeeAnne Millinger, 248-584-3128.

FLOWERS Did you know you can order flowers for the Altar for any given Sunday. You may sign up in the lobby on the flower chart, located on the bulletin board. Flowers may be in honor or memory of someone, for birthdays, anniversaries or just because. All bouquets (up to 3 per Sunday) may be ordered for \$25 each. Just fill in the line on the chart for and by whom, make a



check out to St. Paul and in the memo line put for *Flowers*. We then advertise in our weekly news and notes.

RED ETERNAL LIGHT (candle) that you see on the Altar that burns all year is also under the same concept as the flowers. The cost for this is \$10 and the chart is located next to the flower chart in the lobby. Call the office for further information about this if you have questions.

MINISTRY

CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMATION CLASS 2025



TOP ROW (L TO R): REV. JAKOB ANDRZEJEWSKI, DESMOND SHAW, ANDREW KEEBLE, ELLIE GUILMETTE, MOLLY NEWEL
BOTTOM ROW (L TO R): CARTER BOCK, LILIANA SZERDI, CELESTE SANISLO, QUIYARAH SHOWERS, CALEB CHARLTON

MORE MINISTRY

MEN'S SATURDAY BREAKFAST All men of all ages of St. Paul and their friends and neighbors are welcome to the Men's Breakfast on the third **Saturdays** for some great fellowship, devotions and Bible study. We meet in the church lounge at 7:30 a.m. *Summer Break:* Have a nice summer, see you September 14. Come Join Us!

MEN'S THURSDAY MORNING BREAKFAST— Attention all men of the congregation! Come and join us for breakfast and devotions at The Avenue Restaurant on Woodward north of 13 Mile Road. We are meeting at 7:30 a.m. If your are retired or on your way to work this is a great way to start your day. Great group of men to fellowship with. We hope to see you there!

**June 16, 7:00 P.M.
Voter's Meeting Lounge
Final Budget 2025-2026**

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Bible Classes 9:45 am (July-Aug 8:30 am)

Sunday Class w/Pastor Andrzejewski (lounge)

Weekday Bible Classes

Mondays 9:00am Women's Bible Class (Sept-May) (lounge)
Wednesdays 10:00am Pastor Andrzejewski (lounge) (Sept-May)
Thursdays 8:00am Men's Breakfast at The Avenue Restaurant (Woodward, N of 13 mile)
3rd Saturday, 7:30am Men's Breakfast/Bible Study, (Sept-May) (lounge)



MINISTRY



2025 Mackinaw Island Retreat

Plan for 2025 in the Fall, dates to be announced. **The Lutheran Adult Gathering (LAG)** is a weekend retreat at the Grand Hotel on Mackinaw Island with brothers and sisters in Christ who come together from around the region to experience worship, encouragement, education, and time together. It is a chance to see old friends and meet new ones, a chance to be intentional about your faith development, and a chance to step out of the normal busy routines to be refreshed and equipped for daily life.

Do you need a break? Do you need encouragement from fellow Christians? Do you like Mackinac Island? Would you like to stay at the Grand Hotel while the Michigan colors are in their full glory? Could you benefit from great times of worship and Bible study? Do you need an evening of laughter? If you answered yes to even a couple of these questions, then the Gathering is a great fit for you. The cost can seem daunting, but the sacrifice of saving \$20–25 a week until the Gathering will be enough to attend. Encourage other friends to attend with you! Maybe this weekend could be a great catalyst for Adult Ministry at your church. What a great celebration it will be when we gather together in his name.

What is included in the cost? The Registration fee and Room Reservation cost include the following: -Ferry to and from the island (parking fee is not included) -Room for Friday and Saturday nights at the Grand Hotel -Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and dinner, Sunday breakfast -Gathering activities and speakers. What is not included in the cost? -Transportation between the docks and Grand Hotel (if desired) -Lunch on Saturday -Souvenirs and fudge...To learn more and to register go to: <https://michigandistrict.org/event/lutheran-adult-gathering>.



Don't let your children miss the adventure, joy and wonder that a week at a Christian camp can bring. Camp nurtures faith inside of kids! Sign up your children for Summer Camp. Summer Overnight Christian Children's Camps (for grades 1-10) are important for the development of faith, values and life skills. Camp Concordia, in Gowen, MI north of Grand Rapids, is the overnight children's Lutheran camp in the Michigan District available to everyone's kids. Some kids come to find new

friends and others bring friends. Either way, in the midst of the canoeing, swimming, archery, cookouts and campfire devotions, kids get to relate to the faith journey's of young adults who serve on the Camp Concordia summer ministry staff. This is an opportunity for your kids, or for you to reach out to the children in your neighborhood or community. To find out more on camping registration and to read what parents have to say, please visit the camp's website at www.campconcordia.org or call the camp office for more information at



Monthly Bible Readings

LCMS Series C



SEASON	DATE	FESTIVAL	FIRST READ- ING	PSALM	EPISTLE	GOSPEL
	June 1	Seventh S. of Easter	Acts 1:12-26	Psalms 133	Rev. 22:1-6 (7-11) 12-20	John 17:20-26
PENTECOST	June 8	The Day of Pentecost	Gen. 11:1-9	Psalms 143	Acts 2:1-21	John 14:23-31
TRINITY	June 15	The Holy Trinity	Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31	Psalms 8	Acts 2:14a, 22-36	John 8:48-59
	June 22 (Prop. 7)	Second S. after Pentecost	Isaiah 65:1-9	Psalms 3	Gal. 3:23-4:7	Luke 8:26-39
	June 29 (Prop. 8)	Third S. after Pentecost	1 Kings 19:9b-21	Psalms 16	Gal. 5:1, 13-25	Luke 9:51-62
	or	St. Peter and St. Paul	Acts 15:1-12 (13-21)	Psalms 46	Gal. 2:1-10	Matt. 16:13-19

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.



Mr. Chris Francik, Principal

Blessings Abound

As the weather warms, thoughts of summer vacation fill the minds and hearts of students and staff in the school hallways. As I wrap up this school year, I have been blessed to deepen and strengthen my relationship with the students and their families, the schoolteachers and staff members along with Pastor Andrzejewski, congregational leaders and members. As we continue to support and minister to each person connected to St. Paul, our Triune God uplifts, supports, and guides our efforts.

Opportunities abound at St. Paul. The entire community of St. Paul has the responsibility given to us by Jesus to share the wonderful blessings of our school and church with our local sphere of influence. In Hebrews 12:1-2, God reminds us "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely,

and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." This truth will continue to be taught after the school year ends at Vacation Bible School held at St. Paul on Monday, June 30 through Thursday, July 3. Please consider bringing your entire family. There will be lessons for children entering preschool through fifth grade as well as volunteering opportunities for children entering sixth grade and up as well as any interested adults. A VBS registration form is included in this newsletter. A QR code to access the volunteer Sign Up Genius is below my article.

St. Paul Lutheran School is enrolling students in three-year-old preschool through eighth grade. If you know children and their families who would benefit from the teaching of this timeless Gospel message for our salvation as well as receiving an excellent academic education, please have them contact me at 248-546-6555 or cfrancik@stpaulroyaloak.org

QR code for VBS volunteering



**Sunday, June 4 – Preschool (PK)
Graduation at 9:00am in the Church Lounge**

TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND— Mr. Francik wanted to make sure that everyone is aware that this fund exists to help families who need some assistance in paying their tuition bill next school year. Please contact him at cfrancik@stpaulroyaloak.org or call 248-546-6555 for questions. Thank you for supporting the school. Please make check out to St. Paul School.



**Vacation Bible School
June 30—July3
Fun for all children ages
Pk—Fifth grade with
opportunities for sixth
graders and up, to volun-
teer. See further info
above and use insert to
register for VBS.**

Have SAFE



School Calendar-June

June 4—Pk Graduation 9:00 am-church lounge
June 9—School All Day Picnic

June 10—School Dismissed 12:00 pm
Have a Safe Summer Vacation

Church NOTES

Directory

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Community Food Pantry Monthly:
1st Thursday (drive thru) 11am-1pm and
2nd & 4th Mondays (walk-in) 9am-12pm



PRAYERS

Prayers for our Homebound

Donna Brewer
Margaret Kuhlmann
Irma Pope
Charlette Schroeder
Ralph Schroeder
Don Storck
Jeanette Till

Prayers for Military

Eric Banker
Mark Bowdich
Paul Bowdich
Trevor Guilmette
Brandon Newton
Brendan Sharp
Hayden Sharp
Tirzah VanDamme
Jason Zuniga
Gabrielle Zuniga



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

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MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

St. Paul Church

Memory of Al & Jackie Harris by Clara Lichtenberg

St. Paul School

Memory of Michelle Wingate by Bob & Denise Rutledge
Memory of Robert Munoz by Clara Lichtenberg, David & Kathy Hemming

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. Contact the church office, 248-541-0613 for any questions regarding this. Thank you.

OFFICIAL ACTS

Youth Received on 05/11/2025

Carter Bock, Caleb Charlton, Ellie Guilmette, Andrew Keeble, Molly Newell, Celeste Sanislo, Desmond Shaw, Quiyarah Showers, Liliana Szerdi

Adults Received on 5/18/2025

Confirmed: Jeff & Kim Kukler, Jake Humphries, Rose West
Transferred In: Kevin, Liz, Aryx, Jerich Lopez, Jon & Angela Aufdemberge, Hugh & Rita Machus, Paul Resch, Barbara Stefan
Profession of Faith: Jordan Humphries, Lori Brancalone

Address Changes

Nicole Taylor, 359 Edgewood Pl., Ferndale 48220
Ian Burgess Family, 410 Spezia Dr., Oxford 48371

Baptisms

Quiyarah Showers	April 30
Jeffrey Kukler	May 17
Benjamin Kukler	May 17
Anna Kukler	May 17

Transferred Out

Tyler & Krista Zenk Family

June Birthdays

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



1 John Meagher
Gabriel Ohngren

2 Jakob Andrzejewski

3 Sage Smith

4 Gary Maloney
Carol Messer

5 Sean Hill

6 John Beyerlein

7 Kyria Gowman
Robert Moelich

11 Bryony Mackinder

12 Faylee Brown
Karen Charnawskas

15 Elsey Lefere
Isabella Martin

16 Ayden Hertz
Crew Valdes

17 Joy Keller

18 Susan Reynolds
Jaxon Sukarukoff

19 Bridgit Hermann
Mila Jackson
Libby Walker

20 Will Schley

21 Allan Wesley
Laura Zeile

22 Rachel Harris
Connie Moulis

23 Violet Shooltz

24 Andrew Haselton
Jeremiah Roche

25 Elizabeth Kienman
Jim Owens
Lily Paul

27 Matthew Bock
Julie Smyth


28 Noah Martin

29 Brenden Sharp

30 Hope Miramontes



June 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:15 AM Worship c 9:45 AM Bible Cl (lounge) & SS (gym) 11:00 AM Worship <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i>	2 9:00 AM Trustees 9:00 AM WBC 7:00 PM Elders Mtg	3 3:00 PM MLT (staff mtg)	4 9:00 AM Preschool Graduation, lounge 6:00 PM Garden Club	5 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast-The Avenue	6	7 12:00 PM Lounge-Francik
8 8:15 AM Worship 9:45 AM Bible Cl (lounge) & SS (gym) 11:00 AM Worship c <i>Pentecost</i>	9 9:00 AM Trustees 6:30 PM Youth Group Pizza Party	10 12:00 PM School Dismissal 7:00 PM 20/30's Game Night, lounge 7:00 PM Vestry Mtg Last Day School	11 6:00 PM Garden Club OHHT- (construction begins)	12 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast-The Avenue	13	14 11:00 AM -3:00 PM Lounge-Q. Showers
15 8:15 AM Worship c 9:45 AM Bible Class 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Admin Retirement Reception-Pam Rodway, lounge <i>Holy Trinity</i> Father's Day	16 9:00 AM Trustees 7:00 PM Voter's Mtg-Budget	17	18 6:00 PM Garden Club	19 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast-The Avenue	20	21 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast
22 8:15 AM Worship 9:45 AM Bible Class 11:00 AM Worship c <i>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</i>	23 9:00 AM Trustees	24 7:00 PM 20/30's Dinner, lounge	25 6:00 PM Garden Club	26 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast-The Avenue	27	28
29 8:15 AM Worship c 9:45 AM Bible Class 11:00 AM Worship c <i>3rd Sunday after Pentecost</i>	30 9:00 AM Trustees <div>VBS Begins</div>	<div> <div> May 2025 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 </div> <div> Jul 2025 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 </div> <div>  </div> </div>				