

# St. Paul Church & School News

## A Weekly News Edition for the week of May 11, 2025



*Happy Mother's Day!*

A Mother's Love is a picture of God's Love

### WELCOME GUESTS!

It's nice to have you with us today! Welcome to St. Paul Lutheran Church! We greet you in the name of Jesus Christ. We are glad that you are worshiping with us. We know that God will come to us through His Word this day to bring us new life in Christ.

### MINISTRY



**Youth Confirmation**—Today at the 11:00 am service, nine youth will be confirmed. A reception in the lounge follows with light refreshments. Come celebrate with our youth.

*Congratulations Class of 2025*

Carter Bock  
Caleb Charlton  
Ellie Guilmette  
Andrew Keeble  
Molly Newell

Celeste Sansilo  
Desmond Shaw  
Quiyarah Showers  
Lilliana Szerdi

**20/30's Group (aka: Young Adults)**—a group of post-college age to 30-somethings who gather for Bible studies and events. We would like to reach out to new church attendees who don't know we have a group to join us. The basic information is that we have a group chat for communication of events that are happening, and we do trivia on most Wednesdays at the Side Bar in Royal Oak. Questions? Email Kyria Gowman at [k19gow@gmail.com](mailto:k19gow@gmail.com) Also a group from Historic Trinity meets at Atwater Brewery in Detroit every 2nd & 4th Tuesday evening at 7:15 p.m.

**Still Time—Softball Interest Sign-Up**  
Church softball this summer is on the horizon. Games are played Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday typically one night a week. Occasionally there could be a week that we play two nights a week. Game nights are usually at Our Shepherd in Birmingham. The season begins in late May running through early August. There is a sign up sheet on the lobby bulletin board. If you are interested in playing, please sign up soon so we can determine the amount of interest. A schedule will be out for game nights. Please contact Chuck Brewer 586-822-8619 or [brewerchuck10@gmail.com](mailto:brewerchuck10@gmail.com) with any questions.



**Looking for SUMMER CAMP** opportunities for your middle-schooler? Lutheran Northwest is offering boys & girls athletic camps for grades 5-9 starting in June! This year's programs include Football, Boys & Girls Basketball, Volleyball, Softball, Soccer, Wrestling & Cheer. Details and registration can be found at [www.LutheranNorthwest.com/summercamps](http://www.LutheranNorthwest.com/summercamps).

**Attention High School & College Grads!**  
We are preparing to create a display board for all our youth who are graduating this year and hoping to get pictures of our graduates with name, school name and degree (if college) and your name, school name, graduation date (if high school) and if planned college, school name you will be attending. Please turn these into the church office or email them A.S.A.P. to [prodway@stpaulroyaloak.org](mailto:prodway@stpaulroyaloak.org). Photos will be returned per your request. Thank you.



**Needed Sunday School Assistants**— help is in need to work with our children at Sunday School. Contact Liz Lopez if interested at [lopezea1@yahoo.com](mailto:lopezea1@yahoo.com).

**A VOTERS' MEETING** will be held Monday, May 19 at 7:00PM. The first draft of the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year will be presented and discussed. No vote will be taken on the budget until June. There will also be updates on the capital campaign construction plans and the status of the parsonage and vicarage property sale. The final budget will be presented and voted on at a Voters' Meeting on Sunday, June 15 after the 11:00am service.

### SCHOOL NOTES

**Volunteer Breakfast**—If you have volunteered at St. Paul in any way, Arts, Beats, and Eats, Altar Guild, ushering, choir, handbell choir, PTL events, driving for field trips, etc., the staff and students of St. Paul want to thank you with an appreciation breakfast on **Wednesday, May 14** from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.. If you are able to come, please use this link, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849A8A822A4FAC25-48762075-volunteer>, or scan this QR code to sign up so we can plan appropriately. Thank you for all your time and effort to make St. Paul a wonderful place.



**Spring Auction on Friday, May 16th at Red Run Golf Club!** This exciting event is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. **Tickets for Event available by going to:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/lights-camera-auction-a-red-carpet-event-at-red-run-tickets-1284724578799?aff=oddtcreator> or scan code.



### NOTES

**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 is to enroll at our website, [www.stpaulroyaloak.org](http://www.stpaulroyaloak.org) or you can complete an Electronic Giving Authorization form (available in the lobby) and return to the church office.

**Church Food Pantry**— we offer a drive-thru food pantry for those in need in our community on the 1st Thursday of the month 11am-1pm. or walk-in on 2nd & 4th Mondays 9am-Noon. Also, bags are set out in the lobby for members on 4th Sunday of the month. As always donations are accepted to help keep our pantry full. Needed canned (soups, vegetables, meats, fruits) and boxed goods (mac & cheese, pasta noodles, cereal). Whatever you can help with. Thank you.

### Book Nook

You can choose beautiful cards with Scripture for your friends & family for only 50 cents each for all occasions throughout the year. DIY sales: choose your items, cards or gifts from cabinet, pay cash or check to *Women's Guild*, deposit payment into the cash box attached to the brick wall next to the card rack. Confirmation & Graduation Cards available.

### **RO Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 26th @ 9:00 a.m.**

The parade begins at Main Street and Lincoln and will proceed north. The parade has been held on Memorial Day for several decades as a respectful tribute to our veterans – past and present. For more information, visit us at [romi.gov/parade](http://romi.gov/parade). St. Paul will be walking. Come walk or watch.

**CareNet Berkley-Detroit** would like to thank everyone for all their contributions for from the Baby Bottle Boomerang. They received a total of \$3,533.00 donated from us. Blessings.

# IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

## MEMBERS

### Long-term Health Needs

Jeff Lehman (cancer)  
Natasha Loretitsch (concerns)  
Patricia Walker-Bill (health concerns)

### Prayers for our Homebound

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

### All Military Family & Friends

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

**FLOWERS on the Altar** are in honor of the  
Confirmation Class 2025



*\*You may also order flowers/eternal light for special occasions, eg. anniversaries, birthdays etc. or in memory of someone by filling out the chart in lobby. Just \$25 per bouquet or \$10 for eternal light. Checks payable to St. Paul Lutheran. Please leave in office. Thank you.*



**If prayers need to be removed or added, please contact the church office, 248-541-0613.**

## NON-MEMBER FAMILY & FRIENDS

Priscilla Bennett (health concerns), friend of Chris Schultz  
Sharon Charnawskas, (health concerns), sister-in-law of Jim Charnawskas  
Palmer Charnawskas, (recovery brain surgery) great niece of Jim Charnawskas  
Anne Gabriel, (stage 4 cancer), friend of Anne Sagan  
Brian Kitz, (cancer), friend of Mike Rasmussen  
Stephanie Klausmeier (health concerns), previous member/student  
Matt Mackinder, (MS) Marshall's brother  
David I. (cancer), family of Scott Manteuffel  
Bill Merte, (arm nerve damage), friend of Mike Rasmussen  
Susan Miller, former member, hospitalized  
Roberto Munoz (cancer), son-in-law of the late Eyla Russ  
Janie Nelson, (health concerns) Tim Woodward's mother  
Tom Noonan, (cancer), friend of Chris Schultz  
Michele Polito, (cancer), friend of Chris Schultz  
Jeff Rinkus, (brain tumor), father of Craig Rinkus  
Roe, (health concerns) mother-in-law of Chad Heins, Dawn's son  
Ted Stephens, (cancer), friend of Mike Rasmussen  
Daniel Tharpe, (continued care) grandson of Bob & Denise Rutledge  
David Woelmer, father of Lee (recuperating from heart surgery)

### Scripture OF THE WEEK

**John 10:27 – “My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”** On their own sheep are in great danger. They need a shepherd to guide them. The sheep know the Shepherd's voice, and we delight to go where He leads. Of course, the world, the devil, and our own sinful flesh want to pull us in another direction. Namely, they want to pull us in the direction of death. But following the Shepherd means life. So, no matter how difficult the path is, let us follow the Shepherd!

## Weekly News & Events

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**“Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us!”**



### CALENDAR

#### Sunday, May 11 Happy Mothers Day!

8:15 am Worship  
9:45 am Bible Class & SS  
11:00 am Worship c  
with Youth Confirmation  
reception follows, lounge

#### Monday May 12

9:00am Trustees

#### Tuesday, May 13

7:00 pm Vestry Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 14 No Bible Class

8-8:30 am Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast  
8:30 am Chapel  
6:00 pm Garden Club

#### Thursday, May 15

8:00 am Men's Breakfast (The Avenue)  
7:00 pm Choir Practice  
8:30 pm Bells Practice

#### Friday, May 16

7:00 pm School Auction, Red Run Golf Club

#### Saturday, May 17

7:30 am Men's Breakfast, lounge  
10am-Noon Pastor's Class "Discovery Series"

#### Sunday, May 18

8:15 am Worship c  
9:45-10:15am Bible Class, lounge  
10:15-10:45am New Members Reception  
9:45 am Sunday School, gym  
11:00 am Worship c with Receiving New Members/Dawn Heins Retirement- (Dawn reception follows lounge)

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

**\*SERVICES LIVE-STREAMED ARE THROUGH  
WWW.STPAULROYALOK.ORG/LIVE  
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