

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church (LCMS)

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Second Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022



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Please pray for Roger Blum, Pastor Dell, Joyce Kenitzer, Ada

McCorkle, Miles Eisenbeisz, Barbara Dahme, Gladys Felix, Muriel Schamber, Kimberlee Kaiser, Harry Preston, Fern Preston, Ann Thompson, Elli Bode, Sheyenne Seely, Janet Smith, Debbie Caven, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Laurie Steichen-Ingram, Dallas Tschappat, Courtney Frohling, Beverly Borchard, Dawn Dohn, Kathy Murray, Lorelei Hartung, Kristi Anderson, and April Olson.

Little Ones' Book Club – Our youngest children (Baptism through age 3) have a Bible based book waiting for them in the South Narthex. Please take it home, read and enjoy! It's yours to keep!

Thrivent Choice Dollars must be allocated by the end of the March. Please remember St. Paul's Church and the Lighthouse Preschool when selecting your Thrivent Choice Dollars. An informational guide is on the table in the South Narthex.

Installation for Michael Leapley as Director of Christian Education will be held on Sunday, March 20, 2022 at 4:00pm. A supper will follow. Congregation may bring a salad for the supper.

The Lenten season continues with Wednesday worship services at 12:15pm and 6:15pm. Lent services will be held each Wednesday thru April 6th. "*Witnesses to Christ*" is the theme for Lent. A daily devotion booklet is available at both narthexes. Soup and sandwiches will be served after the 12:15pm service and prior to the 6:15pm service.

Help Needed Supporting Pastors' Wives: The South Dakota District Spring Pastors' Conference is taking place in Aberdeen on May 2-3, 2022. At this conference is also offered a time for pastors' wives to connect and be refreshed in the Word of God. In order to grant these women an opportunity with less distraction the district requests the help of volunteers to watch a room of pastors' kids. The wives' session is on May 3 from 9:45AM to 11:45AM. We are in need of 1 "lead" person and at least 4 others. The more, the merrier! Please call Our Savior Lutheran at 605-225-7106 to sign up. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Please inform the Pastors or the church office when you or a loved one is hospitalized.

Lighthouse Preschool Opening: Part-time Director and/or Teacher for the Lighthouse Preschool for the 2022-2023 school year. Certified teacher with elementary education degree and teaching experience, and an early childhood endorsement preferred. Please submit a letter of application and a resume to Jason Oberfoell, School Board Chair, St. Paul's Lutheran Church. **Position open for an afternoon bus rider from 3:00-4:15pm M/T/Th/F.**

Lighthouse Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2022-2023 school year. Packets are available on the table in the south narthex or at the church office.

Five Loaves Committee meeting at 5:15pm on March 16, 2022.

Church Rummage Sale in June! – In support of the youth group's trip to the National Youth Gathering this summer in Houston, TX we are hosting a rummage sale on Saturday, June 4th, 2022. So let's get those garages, attics, and closets cleaned out and find lots of hidden treasures for us to sell. Ask friends, family, and neighbors if they have any donations too. We need clothes in good condition, jewelry, books, toys, tools, electronics, small appliances, etc. Large appliances, large pieces of furniture, mattresses, broken items, and worn clothing will NOT be accepted (when in doubt, throw it out)! General donations will start being accepted on Tuesday, May 17th, 2022. If you have items that need to be moved before May 17th, contact DCE Michael Leapley at michaell@stpaulsaberdeen.org for an earlier time. Thank you and God bless!

Offering: March 6, 2022 - \$12,923.00

Coffee - \$94.70 Sunday School - \$11.00 Missions - \$80.00

Amount to meet Budget: \$13,012.00 per week

Organists: Sunday – Judah Bobby **Monday** – Tierra Cassens
Wednesday – 12:15pm – Cindy Jung 6:15pm - Judah Bobby

Please sign the fellowship booklet for attendance.

Sunday Attendance – March 6, 2022

8:00am – 108 10:45am – 137 Monday – 24
Ash Wednesday: 12:15pm – 49 6:15pm - 108

Bible Study: Sunday – 69 Tuesday - 9
Wed 6am - 7 5:15 pm – 8

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S: (March 13 – March 20)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Coffee/Donuts
9:30 am Bible Study and Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
12:30 pm Prayer Service
5-7:00 pm Youth Meeting

Mon 6:15 pm Worship service
Tue 7:00 pm Reformation Bible Study

Wed 6:00 am Men’s Morning Bible Study
12:15 pm Lent Worship
12:45 pm Soup and Sandwich lunch
5:15 pm Women’s Bible Study
5:15 pm Five Loaves Committee Meeting
5:30 pm Soup and Sandwich supper
6:15 pm Lent Worship
6:45 pm Confirmation
6:45 pm Choir Practice
7:30 pm Bell Practice

Thurs 9:00 am Quilting
3:30-5:00 pm Bible Bowl Practice
7:00 pm Rural Gospel Initiative Meeting

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am Coffee/donuts and Bible Study
10:45 am Worship Service
4:00 pm Installation of DCE & Supper

Introit *Psalm 5:4–8; antiphon: Psalm 1:6*

P: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

C: but the way of the wicked will perish.

P: For you are not a God who delights in wickedness;

C: evil may not dwell with you.

P: The boastful shall not stand before your eyes;

C: you hate all evildoers.

P: You destroy those who speak lies;

C: the LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

P: But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

C: I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

P: Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies;

C: make your way straight before me.

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,

C: but the way of the wicked will perish.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 33:7–20*

⁷“So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

¹⁰“And you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, Thus have you said: ‘Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we rot away because of them. How then can we live?’ ¹¹Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

¹²“And you, son of man, say to your people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him when he transgresses, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall by it when he turns from his wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by his righteousness when he sins. ¹³Though I say to the righteous that he shall surely live, yet if he trusts in his righteousness and does injustice, none of his righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in his injustice that he has done he shall die. ¹⁴Again, though I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’ yet if he turns from his sin and does what is just and right, ¹⁵if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has taken by robbery, and walks in the statutes of life, not doing injustice, he shall surely live; he shall not die. ¹⁶None of the sins that he has committed shall be remembered against him. He has done what is just and right; he shall surely live.

¹⁷“Yet your people say, ‘The way of the Lord is not just,’ when it is their own way that is not just. ¹⁸When the righteous turns from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it. ¹⁹And when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is just and right, he shall live by them. ²⁰Yet you say, ‘The way of the

Lord is not just.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Hebrews 12:2*

P: [O come, let us fix our eyes on] Jesus,

C: the founder and perfecter of our faith,

P: who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame,

C: and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 10:1–13*

¹I want you to know, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

⁶Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, ¹⁰nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. ¹¹Now these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction, on whom the end of the ages has come. ¹²Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. ¹³No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel *Luke 13:1–9*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹There were some present at that very time who told [Jesus] about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. ²And he answered them, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? ³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. ⁴Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

⁶And he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷And he said to the vinedresser, ‘Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?’ ⁸And he answered him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure. ⁹Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**