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Third Sunday of Easter May 1, 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 and Fern Preston, Ann Thompson, Elli Bode, Sheyenne Seely, Janet Smith, Debbie Caven, Andrew & Cindy Ruenzel, Courtney Frohling, Dawn Dohn, Kathy Murray, Lorelei Hartung, Kristi Anderson, Jim Busch, Baelyn Schwab, Pam Dutenhoffer, Margie Nussbaum, and Gary Brown.

Confirmation Statements of Faith: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, you are cordially invited to come to St. Paul's on Wednesday, May 11 at 6:30 pm to listen to our confirmands read their statements of faith. This is a wonderful opportunity to see how these young people have grown in the faith and to be reminded of the importance of sound doctrine and Christ centered teaching. Even if you're not a family or friend, please join us! Refreshments to follow.

RGI Representative Needed: The Rural Gospel Initiative (RGI) is a nonprofit organization composed of congregationally elected representatives of Circuit 1 churches within South Dakota District 1 (NE South Dakota) of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod. The foundation's sole purpose and vision is to support Word and Sacrament ministry in LCMS Circuit One congregations and rural communities through gospel outreach. St. Paul's is looking for a congregation member interested in representing our church on this committee. If interested or for more information, you can access the website at www.ruralgospel.org or call Deb Pederson, directly at 605-380-3550.

Prayer Service – May 8, 2022 at 12:30pm. .

Church Building Improvement Meeting – A brief meeting on building improvements will be held today at 9:40am in the Fellowship Hall. A narrative of the meeting will be available in the South Narthex.

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

The May Newsletter is on-line. Please go to the NEWS tab at www.stpaulsaberdeen.org.

In memory of Art Dahme, a donation was made to the Carillon Bell fund by Joyce Dahme. **Camp Minneboji:** 2022's camp theme is "Masterpiece" & comes to us from Ephesians 2:10, which reads "For we are God's MASTERPIECE, created in Christ Jesus to do good works." Registration forms are located in the South Narthex and they are hoping to have an on-line registration form available soon.

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!

VBS – June 5-9, 2022 – 6:00 to 8:30pm: St. Paul's will join Our Savior for Vacation Bible School and will be held at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Registration forms are located in the South Narthex and are due by May 2^{nd} . **Sign-up sheet for helpers in South Narthex**.

MAIN STREET LIVING – May 8, 2022 KDLT (NBC) 10:00 AM – This the Life – "Dead End" 10:30 AM – Rev. Matthew Bless presents a message titled "The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep." The sermon is based on John 10:22-30. For more information go to the web site: www.mainstreetliving.com.

The "Wing It!" Food Truck will be here in the St. Paul's parking lot once a month throughout the summer. This will be an exclusive fundraiser for the youth group as we will receive a stipend for the use of our lot. The purpose of this fundraiser is to decrease the strain of solely raising funds from within the congregation, to increase our interaction with the community, and to have the necessary funds for activities that help our youth grow in faith and fellowship.

Offering: April 24, 2022 - \$8,715.25

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

Organist: Sunday - Cyrece Kono Monday: Cyrece Kono

Bible Study: Sunday -62 Tues: 7 Wed: 6am - 6 5:00 - 5

Sunday Attendance - April 24, 2022:

8:00am - 86 Communed - 73 10:45am - 150 Communed - 95

Monday Night - 33 Communed - 30

Sunday School - \$2.00 Coffee - \$80.00 Missions - \$30.00

On the first Sunday of the month, the Shepherd Fund is collected. The money donated is given to The Journey to help those in need in our community.

Please sign the fellowship booklet for attendance

The LCMS Circuit 1 Rural Gospel Initiative (RGI) is requesting electronic pictures of the Gospel at work from each of our Circuit's 15 congregations to be included in a 3 min video slide show that will be used to introduce the RGI. Name of the church is the only ID needed. *Send images to Denise Melius via text (605-887-7130) or email (dmelius@nvc.net) by May 15th. Thank you! Please contact the church office for details.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S: (May 1 – May 8)

Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Coffee and Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Service

Mon 6:30 pm Worship Service w/ Communion

Wed 6:00 amMen's Morning Bible Study

10:00 am 1 Samuel Bible Study

5:00 pm Women's Bible Study

5:15 pm Five Loaves Supper

6:30 pm Confirmation

6:45 pm Vocal Choir Practice

Thur 9:00 am Good Cheer Circle Sun 8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Coffee and Donuts

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 amWorship Service

12:30 pm Prayer Service

5-7:00 pm Youth Group

Reading Acts 9:1-22

L A reading from Acts, chapter 9.

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this

the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

L O Lord, have mercy on us. C Thanks be to God. Reading Revelation 5

L A reading from Revelation, chapter 5.

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,

¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Reading *Luke 24:13–35*

L A reading from Luke, chapter 24.

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. 18Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay

with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

- L O Lord, have mercy on us.
- Thanks be to God.

The Second Petition

P: Thy kingdom come.

C: Your kingdom come.

P: What does this mean?

C: The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

P: How does God's kingdom come?

C: God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

May Baptismal Birthdays

Gloria Anderson Jessica Harry Kenny Kilber Howard Anderson Alaina Huff Sally Kushman Pax Bobby Mason Huff Clayton Lout Markcus Selzler Ronald Bolduan Tate Huff Kelly Stadel Cora Burrer Karlie Jacobson Nate Collins Daniel Johnson Edna Stoebner Melinda Johnson Gladys Felix Fllie Struss Michael Guerin Alex Jones Darlene Wahl Henry Habeck Larry Jung Maren Wakefield

May Wedding Anniversaries

Ray & Emily Anderson
Zachary & Jessica Harry
Michael & Margie Janke
Mike & Rebecca Jeschke

Dustin & Susie Klapperich Rodney & Cyrece Kono Nels & Marsha Olson Dennis & Edna Stoebner

If you should be on this list and are not, please contact the church office.)