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The St. Paul Prophet

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The Baptism of Our Lord

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Our Mission: Helping people know the love of Christ and live for Him.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR JANUARY

Money is a neutral commodity, a means of exchange. It is neither inherently good nor evil.

“You cannot serve both God and Money” Matt. 6:24

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all things will be given to you as well” Matt. 6:33

IN OUR PRAYERS

HOSPITALIZED: Jean Link (cousin Bonnie Ratcliff, Les Hays); Tyler Harris (one of our first graders); Bernice Pearson; Barry Phegley; Herman Schaefer; Cara Taylor (fr. Krekelers and Bertrams) Homer Wiley (Nancy Gierse's father, Pete's brother).

SCHEDULED FOR SURGERY: Cliff Hays (father of Les Hays, Bonnie Ratcliff);

TESTS: Savannah Shields (neice Rhonda Shields); Grace Wells(Sherry Jordan's mother).

RECOVERING: Ronald Simms.

TREATMENTS: Madison Akers (9 yr. old grandniece of Norma Clauser); Cecelia Amsden (daughter of David and Angie Miller, Granddaughter of Gene and Chirley Miller); Paul Bertram; Daniel Caughron (Sandy Brooks' son); Cody Crawford (teenage friend of Sheila Ratcliff); Judy Eickhoff (fr. Janet Laut); Earl Graham (Amy Eaves father); Hank Gregory (fr. Norma Clauser); Jackie Johnson, (fr. Mike McClanahan); Jack Kelly (Ken Kelly's father); Betty LeBaube (Sharon Schwartzkopf's aunt); Debra Lewis (sis-in-law Shannon Friend); Janie Link; Rev. Ralph Ogden (father of Ralph Ogden); Marie Schaefer, Mary Lou Sloan (fr. Susan Baird); Rosemary Vaughn (Grandmother of Daniel Snider).

CONTINUED STRENGTH: Jeanette Anderson (mother of Jim Anderson); Jewel Bacon (Sharon Schwarzkopf's mother); Fayette Bigger (fr. Nancy Rouggy); Everett and Pauline Brown (parents of Jerry Held); Carolyn Byers (fr. Kluvers); Alisha Carrow; Georgia Clements (Darlene McWilliams' sister); Carla Davis Crocker (fr. Krekelers); Gene Dement (father of Greg Dement); Derrick Detring; Ray Detring; Barbara Detring Foster (Jean & Ray Detring, and Pat Brockmiller's sister); Eldrieda Frueh; Angel Rose Gallagher (child of Mike and Brandi Gallagher); Vicki Gallagher; Bill Gibbs (fr. Edna Hinkle); Connie Giesselmann; Ruth Graham (Jean Detring's Cousin); Clarann Harrington; Alice Hays (stepmother of Les Hays & Bonnie Ratcliff); Frances Heidemann (fr. Lynn Vollner); Jerry Held; Collins Henson (Michelle King's grandfather); Edna Hinkle; Sandy Hoehn; Eric Hollinger (nephew Norma Clauser); Anna Hunting; Martha Jarrell; Helen Jones; Barb Kirk (fr. Janet Laut, Dawn Kutz); Paulette Ikemeyer (fr. Ron Brooks); David Kinney (fr. Heather Knox & Janie Link); Angelina Lucas (fr. Lori Nelson); Beulah Mabu; Judy McClanahan (sister-in-law Vernon and Mickie McClanahan); Bill and Patty McMillan (cousins of Velma Kocher and Brenda Windsor); Kenny Mell; Renate Muller (fr. Kelly's); Woodrow Oberman; Dennis Oetting (brother of Sharon Sherrill); Dee Owens (Jeff Owens' grandmother); Bob and Bernice Pearson; Robert Putman (Fr. Don and Lori Nelson); Liam Rind (fr. Kim Weakley); Carol Schremp (fr.

Karen Detring); Rob Shipman (Elizabeth Jordan's cousin); Joyce Simms; Marie Thomas; Marie Tinnin (fr. Pat O'Brien); Craig Thomas; Sharon Weber (sister of Michelle Bird); Kathy Wright.

SYMPATHY: to Spanky Kollmeyer and family at the death of her brother-in-law, Vern Norton.

ILL AT HOME: Les Duncan;

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT: Injured in an auto accident, Pete Dastoor (fr. Janet Laut & Dawn Kutz)

POWER IN PRAYER: Clarence and Heather Sancegraw, Taylor and Bryce; Laura and David Sarratt and Stevi; Roger and Mary Sawall and Stephanie.

SERVING IN MILITARY: Shelly Ammerman (Edna Hinkle's granddaughter); Capt. James Anderson (nephew of Ken Kluver); Michael Bailey (fr. Susan Faenger); Jeremy Baumgarth (Edna Hinkle's grandson); Pat Byington; Rick Chappell; Kyle Clifton (fiancé Katie Mell); Jason Day (fr. Pastor King); Scott Detring; Josh Duncan (cousin of Debbie Bone); Josh Eckrich; Shannon Finley (fr. Jordans); LTJg Rob LaRue; Philip Mistretta (husband of Mallory Buckley Mistretta); Larry Myer (grandson of Dr. & Bobbi Karraker); Jonathon Paige (nephew of Debbie Easley); “S” Sgt. Mitchell Reves (nephew of Marcie Jack); Patrick Stackpole (fr. of Warenbergs); Jason Weiss; Josh White (Grandson-in-law of Blumenbergs); and strength for their families.

ESTHER CIRCLE will meet on Monday, January 21st at 7:00 pm in the Lower Level of the church.

RUTH CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, January 15, at 6:30 pm at Joann Henderson's.

USHER SCHEDULE is being revised for 2008. Anyone interested in helping please contact the church office at 756-7872. We are in need of some new people. This is also an excellent way to meet more of the congregational members. Thank you!

ELFRIEDA FREUH will be at Southbrook Manor for about six weeks. Her address is 1108 W. Liberty, Room 306 Bed 2, Farmington, Mo. 63640. Her phone number is 747-1134. Elfrieda would prefer phone calls rather than visits at the present time. Although gifts are very much appreciated, she has requested not to bring gifts at the present time.

POINSETTIAS: Please pick up your poinsettias this weekend. They are in the upper level meeting room. Since we were not able to get all the red we ordered, we used more white and pink so please make your selection

GIRLS BASKETBALL “WINTER BAR-B-QUE”: Friday, January 18th at 7:00 pm in the School gym. BBQ – porksteaks, hamburgers, hotdogs, baked beans, potato salad, drinks and dessert. Cost \$12.00 each or \$20.00 per couple. Children 10 and under \$8.00. The money raised will help offset the cost for

the travel to Lutheran Tournaments for our girls. Please purchase tickets in advance at the church and school office and after worship services (the girls are at the entrances this weekend to assist you) or call and reserve your tickets at the school 756-5147 or church office 756-7872. Tickets will also be available at the door. Childcare will be provided.

MEN'S CLUB will be having a pancake and sausage breakfast on February 10. We will begin serving at 9:00 am following 8:00am service. Come and enjoy breakfast with friends and family.

Men's Club Meeting for February will be held February 7th at 5:30 pm in the lower level. We love to eat and February's menu will be chicken and dumplings.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: Please check your new envelopes to be sure they have your name on them. A few people did not find theirs in their boxes. If you do not have the correct envelopes, please contact the church office. 756-7872

MAIL BOXES have been reorganized and next year's envelopes placed in them. Please discard your old envelopes. Your mail is in the box UNDER your name. If your mail box is not there, please contact the church office at 756-7872.

VOTERS MEETING: At the January 6th Voters Meeting the following officers are elected: Greg Stover, President; Mike Sherrill, President Elect; Crystal Dement, Secretary.

SPAGHETTI Trinity in Fredericktown is having a Benefit Fish Fry and Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, January 18th for the Michael Brunk's Family. Michael recently passed away, He was 40 years old and had three children under 9 years old. Thrivent Riverview Chapter said they would match funds. So we want to let everyone to know about this event. Thanks for any help you can give us.

MISSION QUILT TACKING: Mission Quilt tacking meets every Monday, at 6:00 pm in the Ladies Aid room.

BLOOD DRIVE: Wild Bunch 4-H group is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, January 21st from 2:30 pm until 6:30 pm in the St. Paul School Gym. Red Cross is very low on blood supplies at this time.

MITEBOX WEEKEND: This is Mite Box weekend. Please place your mites in the LWML bag at the end of each row and pass toward the center aisle.

The next LWML meeting will be January 30th. at 7:00 pm. There will be a Prayer Service in the church proper. A short business meeting will follow in the lower level. Hostesses are Life with Spice.

PILGRIM ADS: It is time to submit your Pilgrim Ads for the 2008 year. A donation of \$100 for the year offsets the cost of sending the Pilgrim each month. You may place your check in the offering plate and mark it Pilgrim Ad or drop by the church office. If you would like more information or have changes to your ad, please contact the church office at 756-7872.

CANS FOR CRAIG: St. Paul Lutheran Church has collected aluminum drink cans for a very long time. Currently we are donating the money from these cans to the Craig Thomas fund. Donations may also be made through offerings by using a special envelope or putting Craig Thomas Fund in the

check memo. We also have a supply of ALS bracelets in the office for \$1.00 with the funds going to the Craig Thomas Fund.

YOUR ELDER:

Kurt Kellams,	AA-BIR	366-0826
Ken Smith	BIS-CAR	756-0829
Thad Kieninger Chmn	BIS-CAR	747-1774
Bill Giessing, Sec'ry.	CAS-DER	756-5283
	DET-FU	
Ken Kelly,	GA-HAR	760-0528
Ron Jarrell	HAY-JAR	756-6260
Jason Garner	JEN-KOL	760-9412
Richard Detring	KR-MEI	756-7989
Steve Needy	MEL-NO	756-2880
Mark Jones	O'B-PY	756-2710
Ceth Jordan	RA-SCH	760-0644
Eric Bertram	SE-THOM	756-9575
Bill Bertram	THUR-WEB	747-0663
Kraig Sutherland	WES-Z	756-3453

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE

Altar Guild for January:

- Sat. 6:00 pm – Mickie McClanahan
- Sun. 8:00 am – Nancy Eaves
- 10:30 am – Sutherland Family

Acolytes:

- Sat. 01/12 – 6:00 pm – Natalie Hoehn, Laynie Jenkins
- Sun 01/13 – 8:00 am – Garrett Geiler, Zach Giessing
- 10:30 am – Tristen Jordan, Emily Pritchett
- Sat. 01/19 – 6:00pm - Kayla Kocher, Heidi Schwalenberg
- Sun. 01/20 – 8:00 am – Ian Powers, Alec Ramsey
- 10:30 am – Katie Kellams, Caitlyn Rodgers

Ushers:

- Sat. 01/12 – 6:00 pm – Rob and Laura House
- Sun 01/13 – 8:00 am – Greg, Steve, David Mell, Gary Cleve
- 10:30 am – Pigg, Beard, Norris, Bess, Warren, Rouggy
- Sat. 01/19 - 6:00 pm - Richard Detring and Wayne Blumenberg
- Sun 01/20 – 8:00 am – Brian & Velma Kocher Family, Jim & Jayne Anderson Family
- 10:30 am – Michelle Bird Family,



WEEKLY BIBLE CLASS OPPORTUNITIES

Day	Topic	Location	Teacher
Sunday	9:15 a.m.		
	Book of Acts	School Gym	Pastor Oddi
	1 Corinthians	Lower Level	Mr. Giesselmann
	Sunday School	School	PS-8 th Grade
	High School	Youth House	Mr. Kellams
Monday	Youth Confirmation	Upper Level	Pastor King
	1:15 p.m.		
Thurs.	Life with Spice	Lower Level	Elfrieda Frueh
	7:00 a.m.		
	Men's Bible Study	Roseners	Pastor King

FRUITS OF OUR FAITH

ATTENDANCE

Sat. 1/05/08	6:00 pm	75
Sun 1/06/08	8:00 am	133
	10:30 am	<u>165</u>
Total		373

FINANCIAL:

Year-to-date Tithes and Faith Promises

Operating Fund:

Received last week	\$10,787 Tithes
	57 Sunday School
	180 Tuition
	<u>690 specials</u>
Total Deposit	\$11,714
Weekly Goal	11,792
Year to Date Average	9,842

Tithe Contributions	\$287,263
Tithes Needed	<u>\$330,176</u>
07-08 Behind Budget	(42,913)
Prior years Deficit	(30,834)
TOTAL DEFICIT	(73,747)

Building Fund:

Tithe Contributions	\$31,186
Tithes Needed	<u>\$54,375</u>
Behind Budget	(23,189)

Loan Balance \$428,425

ST. PAUL CALENDAR

THIS WEEK:

01/13	8:00 am	Worship Service – Mite Box Sunday
	9:15 am	Sunday School, Bible Class, Public Confirmation
	10:30 am	Worship Service - Mite Box Sunday
01/14	1:15 pm	Life with Spice LL
	2:00 pm	Sarah Circle
	6:00 pm	Quilt Tacking LA Room
	7:00 pm	4-H - LL
01/16	8:00 am	Ladies Aid
	7:00 pm	Rejoice Choir LL
01/17	7:00 am	Men's Bible Class – Roseners
	1:00 pm	Birthday Brigade – LL
	6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
01/19	3:00 pm	Tressner Wedding
	5:00 pm	Board of Outreach UL
	6:00 pm	Worship, Communion

NEXT WEEK:

01/20	8:00 AM	Worship, Communion
	9:15 am	Sunday School, Bible Class, Public Confirmation
	10:30 am	Worship, Communion
	5:30 pm	Youth Group
	7:00 pm	Venture Crew
1/21		No School
		Church Office Closed
	2:30 pm	4-H Blood Drive in gum
	7:00 pm	4-H UL
	7:00 pm	Esther Circle LL
1/23	8:00 am	Ladies Aid
	3:00 pm	Brownies LL
	7:00 pm	Rejoice Choir LL
1/24	7:00 am	Men's Club – Roseners
1/26	6:00 pm	Worship Service

TOP TEN PREDICTIONS FOR 2008

- 1. The Bible will still have all the answers.*
- 2. Prayer will still work.*
- 3. The Holy Spirit will still move.*
- 4. God will still inhabit the praises of His people.*
- 5. There will still be God-anointed preaching.*
- 6. There will still be singing of praise to God.*
- 7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.*
- 8. There will still be room at the Cross*
- 9. Jesus will still love you.*
- 10. Jesus will still save the lost.*