## **Prayer Requests**

Continued Strength: Fred Barnes, Ron Biri, Terry Butcher, Leroy Burns, Betty Cook, Wayne Cook, Deloris Cleve Jason Cluver, Lorene Crismon, Betty Damron, Delmar & Virginia Elders, Retta Forsythe, Zola Francis, Vickie Gallagher, Keith Hudson, Barbara, Ron & Martha Jarrell, Sherry Jordan, Ryan Kannenberring, Josh Lehman, Gary Meadows, Bowen Meyer, Tim Miller, Weston Miller Joanne Nash, Winnie Nelson, Richard Pratt, Doug Ross, Ruthann Renick (Jeannie Province sister), Francis Roberts, Ina Stokes, Connor Stephen, Linda Stephens, Fay Lee Townsend, Nadine & Duane Thomas, Doug Under-

### **Upcoming Events**

12/15 4:45pm Rejoice Worship Gym
6:00 pm Worship Communion
12/16 9:00am Worship Service Communion
10:15 Bible class , Sunday School,
4:00p Advent by Candlelight

#### 12/17 1:15p Life with Spice

6pm Quilters

6pm Bible Study—Lower Level

12/18 6:00pm All Boards Meet

7:15pm Church Council

12/19 8:15 Chapel

8:00am Ladies Aid

5:30 Advent Dinner

6:30 Advent Service

7:00pm Remnant Group

12/20 6:30am Men's Bible Study

12/22 No Saturday Service

12/23 9:00am Worship Service Communion 10:15 Bible class , Sunday School,

12/24 7 & 10Pm Candlelight Service

12/25 10am Christmas Service

**Treatment:** Loretta Barnhouse, Jane Bates, Mary Beauty, Jessica Bergfield, Jane Blaies, Amy Brenneke, Janel Burch, John Crouch, Sarah Cassidy, Tim Finley, Mike Haney (Courtneys uncle), Janet Hayes, Tara Harrison, Jeanie Hampton, Tom Hunting, Christopher Jones, Coleta Ludwig, Marshall Mead, Pat Moreno, Art Novak, Alice Pennick, Karon Reeves, Dan Storz, Scott Storz, Ed Turner, Ingrid Underwood, Josh Watson, Stephanie Westrup, Becky Windsor



### Hospitalized:

Surgery: Jessica Kauflin

Recovering: Carol Faircloth, Larry Dillman,

Testing: Sympathy:



St. Paul collects aluminum cans for recycling . You can drop them off in the bin between the church & the brick

### Altar Guild for Nov.

Sat. 6:00 pm Jones

Sun. 9:00 am N. Eaves



### **Stewardship Moment**

Luke 3:4 – "As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: *Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.*' " God makes long range plans: Isaiah lived more than 700 years before St. John the Baptist preached by the Jordan River. Obviously, God sees farther into the future than we do. That's yet another reason to trust Him when it comes to how He tells us to live our lives: He knows what's coming, and we don't.

### **Christmas Eve Services**

December 24,7:00pm & 10:00pm Service will be identical both including Holy communion and candle-lighting

## St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

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### **Our Mission:**

"In Christ we strengthen the saved and seek the lost"

Pastor Steve Constien -sjconstien@juno.com

## Weekly News and Notes Dec 15 & 16, 2018

## **Christmas Baskets**

trees are up and decorated with gifts that need to be purchased for families in need. Please returned to the office by Monday Dec. 17th Any question call 756-7872

St. Paul



### **Baptism Blessings!!!**

Klaire Elizabeth Redecker daughter of Adam & Danielle Redecker received God's gift of Holy Baptism. This child received God's gifts of grace, faith, and forgiveness in the saving

Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, our ONE true God, the Trinity!



Please join us as we prepare for Christ our Savior's coming! Advent Dinners and Service are Wednesday nights 5:30 -6:30 Church Service at 6:30pm 12/19 Hosted by SPLHS Free will Donation

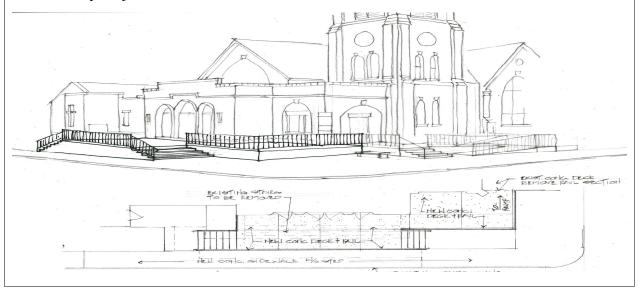


# A Main Calendar is now set up in the commons to view scheduled events. If you would like to reserve the facility for an event you will need to fill out forms and get them back to the office to be added to the schedule



We will be using the poinsettias to decorate the altar. They are \$10.00 each. If you would like to give one in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone or some special event, or for blessings received, complete the form and return as directed to the office.

The Ladies Aid of St. Paul have proposed an improvement be made to the church entry for safety reasons. This would include the steps, sidewalks and entry deck. Over the years falls have resulted in broken bones and many scrapes and bruises. The uneven steps and awkward reach from the rails to the doors have contributed to the problem. We are proposing a flat deck be constructed from the doors to the sidewalk. Steps would be built on either side of the deck to the sidewalk. Also suggested is decking to be built from the front to the side entry. Because of rules for ramps, we could then expand the side ramp so that caskets could make the turn. (See the Architect's suggested drawing at the entrance to the church.) The Ladies Aid have designated \$3000 to start the fund for this project. They will add funds as money becomes available. We can not give a total cost for this project until drawings are complete and approved. However, we anticipate it will be over \$20,000. Anyone who would like to contribute to this project can do so by using a "Designated Envelope" and mark it "Church Entry Project". Make checks payable to "St. Paul Church Entry Project".



### **Readings for Worship**

Date	Festival	First Reading	Epistle	Gospel
12/02	First S. in Advent	Jer. 33:14–16	1 Thess. 3:9–13	Luke 19:28–40
12/9 s	Second S. in Advent	Mal. 3:1–7b	Phil. 1:2–11	Luke 3:1–14 (15–20)
12/16	Third S. in Advent	Zeph. 3:14-20	Phil. 4:4–7	Luke 7:18–28 (29–35)
12/23	Fourth S. in Advent	Mic. 5:2–5a	Heb. 10:5–10	Luke 1:39–45 (46–56)
12/30	First S. a. Christmas	Ex. 13:1–3a, 11–	15 Col. 3:12–17	Luke 2:22–40

## **Elders**

 Steve Thomas
 573- 701-8510

 Richard Detring
 573-756-7989

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 573- 482-6062

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 Kraig Sutherland
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Last Week's Attendance
445pm 33

6:00pm 139 9:00 am 145 Bible Class 67 Total Worship 384

Budgeted Tithes are 9,500 weekly For the month of November we should have collected 38,000.00 in tithes actual was 32,125.78. We are 5,874.22 behind Just for the month of November



### **Weekly Contribution**

12/02 Contributions	\$9,227.75
Going Beyond	\$264,355.66
12/09 Contributions	\$10,419.12
Going Beyond	\$267,598.10

It's that time of year again to start planning your holiday shopping and baking. Use Scrips to buy your gift cards to use shopping or as gifts. This is an easy way for you to help your school earn money. Go to <a href="mailto:shop-withscrip.com">shop-withscrip.com</a> to see a list of participating retailers. You can order and pay online with our school enrollment code 489EF88718276. Or, you can order through Jamie in the office. Scrips ordered on Tuesday will be in by Thursday. Let's

Go Shopping......