



St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

Our Mission:

“ In Christ we strengthen the saved and seek the lost”

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Weekly News & Notes January 06 & 07, 2024

Christmas Isn't Over

Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan

But Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. Luke 2:19-20

The return lines at department stores are so long they wrap around the corner. The garbage cans by the curb are beyond overflowing. And the radio station goes back to playing its pop favorites. Everyone is so eager to celebrate Christmas during the season of Advent, but once it has arrived, they are quick to move on. For the record, Valentine's Day candy is already available.

The celebration of our Savior's birth is not just a day, but technically a season on the church's calendar. More than that though, it is a life of receiving, reflecting and thanking. St. Luke's account of the birth of Christ does not end with people moving on, but continuing to focus on the gift of Jesus. Mary continues the celebration by pondering in her heart all the things that had happened. While the shepherds returned to their flocks, they did so praising God for the gift of the Savior.

While the world moves on, let's stay for a while and continue the celebration. We can reflect on God's Word further as we consider how God preserved His Son from danger and led Joseph and Mary to Egypt and finally to Nazareth. We can lift our voices in praise of the One who came to save us from our sins. We don't have to rush off to other things. Instead, we can continue the celebration for a few more days until the Magi arrive and we see that the Messiah is for all.

Prayer - *O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Prayer Requests

Continued Strength: Bill Allen, Loren Belford, Graham Bubby, Marilyn Burns, Hugh Boyle, Chad Cleve, Wayne Cook, Barb Copland, Lorene Crismon, Rick and Cheri Crabb, Darrell Davis, George Ellis, Delmar Elders, Vickie Gallagher, Connie Jo Giesselmann; Less Harrison, Joan Hickman, Nancy Hill, Carson Hull, Cathy Jarvis, Sherry Jordan, Phyllis Kluver, Lorene Kollmeyer (spanky) Pat LaDassor, Josh Lehman, Arlin Ludwig, Crawford McConnell, Darlene McWilliams, Larry & Sandy Miller, Gary Meadows, Tyan Meyer, Tim Miller, Joe Myers, Ron Nelson, Tina Pinkston, Susan Pratt, Richard Pratt, James Ramsey, Doug Ross, Francis Roberts, Wayne Sherrill, Marline Stough, Careole Thedford, Fay Lee Townsend, Jennifer

Treatment: Mary Beauty, Jessica Bergfield, Sharon Kay Berry, Amy Brenneke, Kim (Cash) Carroll, Sarah Cassidy, Alene Cooper, David Enwright, Tara Harrison, Jeanie Hampton, Maxine Hessel, Brenda Jordan (BJ), Christopher Jones, Anna Kemper, Kitty Laut, Kyle Lotz, Jennifer Maloney, Diana May, Marshall Mead, Everleigh Parker, Alice Pennick, Karon Reeves, Julie Ross (Schaefer cousin), Lyncoln Stone, Ed Turner, Terry Wallace, Josh Watson, Becky Windsor, Sue Wooden,

Hospitalized: Gene Forsyth (Gary & Lillie bil)

Surgery:

Procedures:

Recovering:

Testing:

Hospice : Vic Constien (Pastor's Father)

Sympathy:

Military : Emma Spiker, Conner Spiker, Alex Neiter, Blake Cook, William Deer, Parker Dickinson, Brody Meyer



Weekly Contribution

12/03 Contribution	\$ 13,402.00
Building	\$600.00
Expenses	\$49,102.64
12/10 Contribution	\$15,114.68
Building	\$465.00
Expenses	\$78,648.00
12/17 Contribution	\$ 7,628.00
Building	\$200.00
Expenses	\$3,332.67
12/24 Contribution	\$10,652.00
Building	\$0.00
Expenses	\$6,447.00
12/31 Contribution	\$ 9,431.00
Building	\$110.00
Expenses	\$0.00
Monthly Dec.1-Dec.31	
Deposit	\$ 129,444.04
Expenses	\$ 390,552.59

Altar Guild for Jan.

Sat. Set Up Pat & Klaus Rausch

Refresh - Schaefer

Sun. Clean -up Kim & RuthAnn Kollmeyer



For any updates or bulletin info please email jmestp@yahoo.com or call the office 756-7872

ARE YOU IN BIBLE STUDY AND GROWING IN GOD'S WORD:

Please consider attending one of the following groups that are available.

- Sunday Morning at 10:15 - We have classes available for Preschool -12thgr
- Adult classes Lord's Learners lower level -Doug Pratt.
- Pastor Constien Class school commons

Elders

Steve Thomas 573- 701-8510
 Richard Detring 573-756-3770
 Tim Kollmeyer 573- 330-1611
 Tim Crites 573-760-9756
 Greg Dement 573-701-3030
 Gary Cooper 573-631-0774
 Pat Province 573-631-0309
 Kraig Sutherland 573-915-9016
 Kim Kollmeyer 573-330-0155
 Jason Garner 573-631-2798
 Kenneth Turley 573-915-6147
 Gary Schaefer 314-578-4106

Upcoming Events

1/6 4:45 Rejoice
 6:00 pm Worship service
 1/7 9:00am Worship Service , SS & Bible classes, PS Confirm.
 1/10 8:00am Ladies Aid
 8:15 Chapel
 1/13 4:45 Rejoice, 6:00 pm Worship service
 1/14 9:00am Worship Service , SS & Bible classes, PS Confirm.
 1/14 Youth Group Meeting
 1/15 Office closed
 1/17 8:00am Ladies Aid
 8:15 Chapel
 1/20 445 Rejoice- Church
 6:00 pm Worship service
 1/21 9:00am Worship Service , SS & Bible classes, PS Confirm.
 1/24 8:00am Ladies Aid
 8:15 Chapel

Last Week's Attendance

12/30	445	63
	6pm	62
12/31	9am	<u>117</u>
		242



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

Save the Date:

Jan. 15 Office closed—No school
Jan. 21-27 NLSW
Feb. 7 LWML Meeting
Feb. 11 Youth Group Meeting
Feb.14th Ash Wednesday—Fish Fry
Feb. 21,28 Lent Services & Dinner
Feb. 16 & 19 No School /Office closed
March 6,13,20 Lent Services & Dinner
March Easter Break
March 28 Mauday Service
March 29 Good Friday
March 30 Easter Egg Hunt & P-cake Breakfast
March 31 Easter Morning service
April 1- No School / Office Closed
April 3 LWML Meeting

Communication:

PIE if you need to sign up for PIE call the office to add your email.
Facebook page St. Paul Lutheran Farmington-is a public page. You do not need Facebook to watch. Make sure to like the page to receive updates.
Receive text messages -Text: @splcchu to 81010 to join the church mouse

Readings for Worship

Date	Festival	First Reading	Epistle	Gospel
1/07	Baptism Lord	Gen.1:1-5	Rom. 6: 1-11	Mark 1:4-11
1/14	Epiphany 2	1Sam. 3:1-10	1Cor.6:12-20	John 1:43-51
1/21	Epiphany 3	Jonah3:1-5,10	1Cor.7:29-31	Mark 1:14-20
1/28	Epiphany 4	Duet.18:15-20	1Cor.8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28

Announcements:

Men's Bible study Thursday Morning 6:30 am in the Factory Diner. All Men are invited to come have breakfast and study Gods word .

Youth Group !!

If you are in the 7th-12th grade, come and join in on the fun with the youth group! We will be celebrating the Epiphany on January 14th. 5:30-7 Meet at the Brickhouse Social in the Hardees, Big Lots Plaza in Leasington. (Includes Laser Tag, Bowling, pizza & Drink) You can bring money for extra food.. Please call office if you need a ride.. 756-7872



“Outreach and Christian life committees have resumed preparing meals for the Uplift Center. Please pray for this mission and watch for opportunities to assist when asked.” Nancy Krekeler

Please pick up your envelopes on the table in the front entrance. Begin using them as of January 1, 2024 Any questions call the Office 756-7872



If you paid for a Poinsettia please take it home after service !

Baptism of our Lord