

NEWSLETTER

ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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****Due to Covid-19, the office
will be closed until further
notice.**

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Worship Service Schedule

Wednesday Evening at 7:00 pm

Sunday Morning at 9:00 am

Wednesday services are streamed via
Facebook Live.

We are still figuring out the best way to stream our
services on Sunday. Services will either be live
streamed via Facebook or on our YouTube
channel. We will share updates with you via our
Facebook page.

Weekly Services



Sunday services are available weekly on
Charter/Spectrum Cable Channel 992.
Past services can be viewed through our website
stpaulswaterloo.com and on YouTube.

Inside St. Paul's

April Council Highlights...

- Pastor's Report– Most “at risk” members seem to be doing well. Confirmation is on hold until we are cleared to gather again. Students tried Zoom classes but they didn't work out so assignments have been given out and students are working on them with their parents.
- Financial Update– Income is up and spending is down.
- Stewardship Plan– Would like to see an expansion on the Facebook prayer group.
- Spectrum services were installed and they are less costly than Frontier.
- Online Services– The sound on Facebook has been an issue and some songs are blurry. We are working on making corrections and figuring out the best way to record services to meet the needs of our viewers.
- Communicating with Members– Volunteers will be reaching out to their contacts on a regular basis to check in and provide them clarity on how to watch services.
- Ramp Update– The cost after obtaining several bids was \$9,690. This includes fixing the ramp and caulking the east side of the building that has water damage. \$5,000 was gifted by someone and \$1,000 will be used from the Jeremy Nelson fund. \$4,000 will be used from the Wambold fund. We will also be providing members with the opportunity to donate.
- Rob Rowbotham and Dennis Buss will handling the interior removal and cleanup of the affected area in the basement. Dennis will install wainscoting. They will complete the work as soon as the outside work is done and will take care of all material costs.

April membership changes:

Received: 0 (UC), 0 (C)

Removed: 0 (UC), 0 (C)

Total Members: 519

Confirmed: 431

Unconfirmed: 88

Received:

Removed:

Deadline for Newsletter

If you would like to make a contribution to the newsletter, **please submit information to the office no later than May 20th. Information submitted after this date may not go into the newsletter for that month.**

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Website– stpaulswaterloo.com



May Birthdays

5/1 Austin Cole
 5/1 Stephanie Gabrus
 5/1 Cheryl Hollatz
 5/2 Jenny Adkins
 5/2 David Braunschweig
 5/2 Kaylee Gors
 5/2 Edwina Hilleshiem
 5/3 Ross Reedy
 5/4 Eli Malueg
 5/4 Jenny Sandmire
 5/7 Jillian Heideman
 5/7 Jill Oelke
 5/9 Karla Reedy
 5/9 Randy Sharpe
 5/10 Garrett Mattson
 5/10 Phyllis Vehlow
 5/11 Cassandra Hollatz

5/12 Sandra Meltz
 5/13 Jennifer Billings
 5/13 Carl Hafenstein
 5/13 Ted Rowbotham
 5/14 Sandy Corrie
 5/14 Andrew Eilendfeldt
 5/14 Steven Lanphier
 5/15 Carol Eilenfeldt
 5/15 Robb Kosky
 5/15 Matt McCunn
 5/16 Karen Hartman
 5/16 Sandy Travnick
 5/18 Brady Malueg
 5/20 Amber Beal
 5/22 Theron Retzloff
 5/23 Rickey Abendroth
 5/24 Cameron Knapton

5/24 Landon Lunda
 5/24 Russell Pionkowski
 5/24 Delores Stevens
 5/25 Rori Mattson
 5/26 Larry Silha Jr.
 5/27 Jeremy Ellis
 5/27 Reed Ellis
 5/27 Bill Hubacher
 5/28 Steve Woerpel
 5/29 Susan Schimmel
 5/31 Susan Buss
 5/31 Juan Edwards
 5/31 Janet Kannenberg



If your birthday is not listed; the omission is not intentional (please contact the church office with an update). We wish you a very Happy Birthday as well!



Mobile Food Pantry Friday, May 29th

2:00-4:30 pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church– Fellowship Hall, in Marshall.

It is open to people in the Marshall and Waterloo area who are in need of assistance.

Volunteers are also needed from 1-6 pm to help unload the truck, set-up, distribute food and clean-up.

****Due to Covid-19, protocols may have changed. Please contact Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin for more information**

Attn: Members

Advertise your business Here!!

St. Paul's is offering free advertising to members who own or manage a business. Your ad space will be based on number of ads and newsletter space available. Typically a 2x3 ad will be available.

We want members to recognize, and be aware of other members business' so we can all help strengthen and support each other.

Please contact the office 920-478-2570 for more information. You can also email your ad, business card or a basic one can be created for you.

Stpaul226@frontier.com



St. Paul's Lutheran Church is seeking volunteers to help with the following openings:

Saturday Pianist
Lectors & Prayer Leaders
Videographers
Ushers
Counters
Communion Assistants

Volunteers for most positions are needed about once every two months. We will work with you to schedule Sundays that work best for you. Please consider stepping up to assist us with our worship services. If you are able to help, please talk to Pastor Robb.

Thank you for your ministry to St. Paul's.

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Meals On Wheels Needs Your Help!

The Meals on Wheels program is in desperate need of volunteers to help deliver meals to individuals in the Waterloo area.

If you are able to drive or deliver meals, please call Leigh Fritter at 1-920-674-8134 or Elaine Baumann at 1-920-478-3158.

Thank you!

Ways to Give

Due to the current pandemic, we are unable to worship in person. Many of you have been wondering how you can continue to give to the church during this time. There are several ways that you can give. Please email us if you have any questions or concerns. We will do our best to assist you.

Online & Mobile Giving

St. Paul's offers online giving through our website AND a free mobile app!

With GivePlus Online and GivePlus Mobile, you can give anytime, anywhere!

- Make one-time or recurring donations using your debit/credit card or a checking/savings account
 - Log in or donate as a guest
 - Securely and conveniently manage donations
- **For mobile giving, search your app store for the GivePlus mobile app.**

To give online, please visit stpaulswaterloo.com/give

Mail

You can mail a check to St. Paul's at 226 East Madison St. Waterloo, WI 53594

For the health and safety of our staff and members, we ask that you do not drop off checks or money in person at this time. Thank you for your understanding.



Our Email Addresses Have Changed

We have updated our email address and are no longer receiving emails to our frontier accounts.

Please update your contacts with the following email address:

Office—
StPaulsWaterlooWi@gmail.com

Pastor—
PastorRKosky@gmail.com



Ramp Repair Update: Donations Welcome

A bid of \$9,690.00 has been accepted and approved by the council for the repair of the ramp. This repair includes the ramp as well as the leak on the east side of the church.

To date, we have received donations totaling \$6,000 for the cost of the ramp.

Any other donations to help with the repair would be greatly appreciated.



Happy Mother's Day!

We know Mother's Day might look a little different this year, but we hope that you all have a Wonderful day celebrating all the Amazing mothers in your life! They are truly a Blessing and the world wouldn't be the same without them!

My Angel

A Mom is an angel sent from heaven above,
hand picked by God to give us His love.
She shines so bright, love from Holy light.
She makes the wrongs right, even at night!
My mom is my angel. Oh, yes she is!
She is loved by me, she is loved by Him.



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Reading Bingo



Read a book about animals	Listen to an audiobook	Read with silly voices	Read a book that teaches you something
Read and draw a picture of the book	Read to your pet or stuffed animal	Act out your favorite story	Read a non-fiction book
Read Outside	Read a classic fairytale	Read as a family	Talk about the pictures in the book
Read a childhood favorite	Build a fort and read in it	Read under the covers with a flashlight	Take turns reading together

Spring Bingo

Dig for Worms	Splash in Puddles	Fly a Kite	Make Chalk Masterpieces
Have a Picnic	Make a Suncatcher	Blow Bubbles	Go Bird Watching
Read Outside	Dance in the Rain	Plant a Seed	Go on a Bug Hunt
Make a New Recipe Together	Find Shapes in the Clouds	Pick Flowers for a Loved One	Make a Bird Feeder



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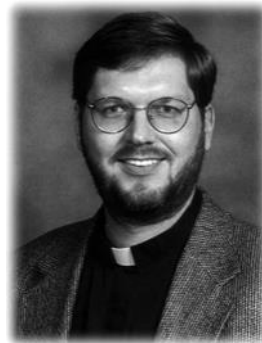
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 Worship	4	5	6 7:00 Midweek Service	7	8	9
10 9:00 Worship Happy Mother's Day!	11	12	13 7:00 Midweek Service	14	15	16
17 9:00 Worship	18	19	20 7:00 Midweek Service	21	22	23
24 9:00 Worship Happy Memorial Day	25	26	27 7:00 Midweek Service	28	29 2-4:30 Mobile Food Pantry	30
31 9:00 Worship						

From the Pastor's Desk...

Stay Connected

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Mt. 18:20.



I have seen a lot of articles recently about the difficulties of living with all of the changes that have so unexpectedly and quickly taken hold of our society in the last two months. We are struggling with loneliness due to our social distancing. Family members and friends long to be together, but they cannot be. We are struggling with frustration from having to stay at home. People long to go out to restaurants or go shopping. People are overloaded and exhausted from Zoom meetings or from trying to work at home and do their jobs in new ways. Some of us wonder why we are not as productive as we once were, why we are so tired, why friends or co-workers are short tempered and irritable. We don't know if we are doing too much or not enough, there is uncertainty and job loss, and the sense of security in knowing what the future holds has vanished before our eyes.

We have been thrown for a collective and all-encompassing loop. We are all, to varying degrees, dizzy and disoriented. There is anxiety, depression, and grief wafting in and out of our lives and the lives of those we love.

These past seven weeks have been difficult for me, and I am sure that they have been difficult for many of you as well. But we are not totally isolated. We are connected with one another and with Jesus.

"Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Mt. 28:20). "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them" (Mt. 18:20). These are words of Jesus. These are promises of Jesus.

Notice that Jesus does not say – "I will be with you always," or "then I will be among them." What Jesus says is much more definite, much more immediate. Jesus is not *going to be with you, but rather, Jesus is with you. Jesus is with you already. Jesus is with you now. Jesus is with you – when you cannot fall asleep at night – when you cannot fall back to sleep in the middle of the night – when you cannot focus – when you cannot relax – when you are not productive – when you cannot drag yourself out of bed – when you have not showered or changed your clothes, in how many days now?*

Jesus is with you. So stay connected to Jesus, and stay connected to one another, and stay connected to the love that lives among us and gives us life.

Your Pastor in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Robb".

Pastor Robb

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Address Service Requested

A Christ centered community striving to make our faith active in love to all!

****Stay up-to-date on the latest news and announcements about the COVID-19 pandemic through Facebook and our website.**

Worship Services Offered:

***Wednesday 6:30 P.M.**

Saturday 4:15 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M.

Communion offered every Wednesday, Sunday and the 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month.
*Midweek services held on the first Wednesday of the month during May, June, July & August

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