

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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August & September 2013



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SAINT PAUL ' S VOICE August/September 2013

“Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any Cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, pray for one another so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.” (James 5: 13-16)

Many of us suffer in one way or another. We may not be physically sick but, we may be mentally, emotionally, or spiritually sick. Many of our members have suffered in many ways including the physical. So many counseling sessions I've had in the last year or two, tell me about the many emotional, mental, and spiritual issues we deal with on a somewhat regular basis.

Through these trying times, there are several things we can do. Yes, counseling is one but, staying connected to God, praying, worshipping, and even attending a Healing Service are very important.

In our Healing Services, which alternates between Pastor Mike Adams' church and ours, there are prayers, anointing, and the laying on of hands. The service includes Holy Communion too. If you can't make church on Sunday because of your work schedule, you could attend the Healing Service which is held every third Wednesday of the month except during Lent. Sad to say, these services have been suspended this summer due to lack of attendance. That's a shame. We all need healing.

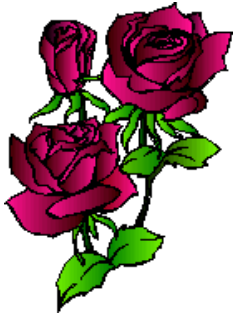
We continue to have our prayer sessions every third Thursday of the month so that we can pray over each other, support each other, be there for each other, and most importantly pray for the church and all of God's creation.

Through these actions, one may be healed and find more calmness in one's life. May God move us to take action and bring healing not only to one self but also to others.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Mel Stricklin

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**THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER
WE PRAY FOR:**

MEMBERS: Lois Armacost, Mark Armacost, Mary Armacost, Hazel Ashe, Ruth Bare, Mary Burk, Sue Bosley, Rosalie Croft, Matilda Griffin, Bob Graff, Mildred Hasson, Sydney Henry, Hope Hilgartner, Matthew Jones, Peter Meadowcroft, Sara Moore, Leslie Vink-Hood, George Walter, and all homebound members.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Genny Casper, Jim Howard, Joyce Rhoten, Georgia and Ed Winiecki, Bettie Panagakos, Phyllis Henderson, Brandon, Phil Cieri, Bob Durham, Jr., Darlene Price, Ian Boyer, Dave Dawson, Carol Lauer, Kathy Hale, Jeanne Braly, Kitty Macon, Shelby, Jane Benson, Dr. Dean Swank, Christine Palmimor, Eli, Cindy Tutalo, Betsy Uhlich, Donald Carter, George Yingling, Rachel Hurly, Barbara Bamford, Luanne Frebertshauser, Becky Gottschalk, Renee Callahan, Helen Martin, Beverly Chenoweth, Pastor Dave Bare, Janine Wyatt, Brent Harlove, Jeanette and Jerry Herfurth, Bob Porterfield, Andrea Munson, Bill Kirkland, Erin Kranz, Margaret Harmon, Bruce Hilgartner, Lee Fritz, John McCubbin and those facing job loss, and those in broken relationships.

WE ALSO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES: family and friends of Lorraine Eichlerberger, the Rev. Andrea Hagan-Arndt, Kay Church, Chuck Edwards, of the Susserman family, William Stratton, Mary Louise Miller, Luanne Funk and Brenda Mason.

May the promises of our resurrected Lord bring them peace and comfort.

THE PRAYER: Merciful God, give us compassion for the hungry, poor, and homeless; the elderly and children; and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially (names). Help us be merciful to all. We pray this in Jesus name. Amen.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Kindness is the golden chain by which society is bound together.

Jonathan Wolfgang Von Goethe

When a person is down in the world, an ounce of help is better than a pound of preaching.

Edward George Bulwer-Lytton

The more we understand, the deeper our faith, the more absolute our love.

Sister Wendy Beckett

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

John F. Kennedy

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BIBLE TRIVIA...who said??

1. Mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people: a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of thy people Israel?
2. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world?
3. Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom?
4. Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us?
5. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God?

Thank You

to those who prepared and attended the baby shower for Becky Miller..

to Carol Hilgartner for planning and overseeing the SPY cookout event.

to our choir who provided special music for Father's Day.

to those who make and bring goodies for our fellowship each month, especially Gene Zepp.

to those who help prepare the church and service for our funeral services and who help assist with the services.

to the Assistant to the Bishop, Pastor Ron Schlak, who volunteered to bring the gospel message to our congregation.

to those who donated items and volunteered to make our VBS a big success especially Carol Hilgartner.

To all our friends at St. Paul's Church we wish to thank you sincerely for all your kind expressions of sympathy following the death of Bill Stratton. Our thanks also for the many get well cards and all the prayers during Bill's long illness. We deeply appreciate the love and support we felt when Bill went home to be with the Lord.

Shirley Stratton and family

ANSWERS TO BIBLE TRIVIA 1. Simeon (Luke 2:30-32) 2. Jesus (Matthew 28: 19-20) 3. The repentant thief on the cross (Luke 23:42) 4. The shepherds (Luke 2:15) 5. Isaiah (40:3)

NEWS

NEW ARRIVAL

Another new baby has joined our congregation. Noah Graham Miller, son of Becky and Alan Miller, brother to Braedan, was born Thursday, July 11 weighing 6 lbs, 12 ozs. and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Richard and Ginny Harris, and Cindy Schmidt. Mother and new son are doing just fine.

RALLY DAY

We will celebrate Rally Day, September 8th to kick off the Sunday School for the coming year. There will be a picnic immediately following worship. Please bring a covered dish. Meat will be provided. It will be held in the pavilion.

INSTALLATION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS

Sunday, September 8th, all those who help with Christian Education will be installed during worship. This includes not only teachers, but those who volunteer during the year or for our Vacation Bible School. It

also includes those who oversee the children during the adult sermon of the worship services.

NESAP DISCOUNT CARDS

Beginning in September, NESAP will be selling credit-card size discount cards. These cards fit right in your wallet. They offer discounted services from our local merchants. They can be used over and over again at the local stores and restaurants. NESAP can earn \$4,300.00 for their assistance programs if they can sell 600 cards. You can give these cards as birthday or Christmas gifts and they can be used until October, 2014. See Pastor Mel for more information or stop by the store to get a card not just for yourself but, for family members and friends alike.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next Blood Drive is scheduled for Sept. 28th --- 8:30 to 2:00 pm

YOUTH OUTREACH

On June 18, 2013 the Carrollton 4-H Club sent members Natalie Panagakos, Sophie Panagakos, Dorothy Maclean-Blevins and Caroline Maclean-Blevins to St Paul's for a service learning project. Several times a year the Carrollton 4-H Club helps Carroll County Food Sunday by sorting canned goods. This time, however, Carrollton members helped to make cheese sandwiches to send to Carroll County Food Sunday. Natalie Panagakos worked with Patti Schunk to coordinate the project in order to meet a goal required for the 4-H Diamond Clover award. Carrollton members as well as adult volunteers made approximately 300 cheese sandwiches for Carroll County Food Sunday! Everyone enjoyed working on the assembly line and the sandwiches made went to a worthy cause.



GOD'S BACKYARD BIBLE CAMP



The Lord's Laughter

From the Reader's Digest August 2013 edition

"My great-grandma gave me this money," said my three-year-old, happily clutching a \$20 bill he'd gotten as a present.

"That's right," I said. "How did you know that?"

Pointing to Andrew Jackson's face in the middle, he said, "Because her picture is on it."

Andy Olson

I was in a clothing store when I heard a customer complaining to a salesclerk.

"I love this cardigan, but it's ruined by this big button on it," she moaned. "It's the wrong color, it looks ridiculous and it sticks out. You should speak to the designer and tell them to remake it."

The assistant replied, "Ma-am, that's a security tag."

Joanne Wilkinson

I ordered a foot-long sandwich from a take-out restaurant and asked the clerk to cut it into fourths, "I'm sorry, I can't," she said. "I already cut it in half."

Christine Smart

Needing to look up a phone number at a friend's house, my teenage daughter asked for a phone book. She might as well have asked for a papyrus scroll.

"A phone book?" asked her friend.

"You know," said my daughter, "A book with numbers in it."

"Oh," said her friend as it dawned on her. "You mean a math book."

Karen Eccles

Celebrations for August & September

August Birthdays

1 Carrie Moore
2 Daniel Binebrink
4 Edith Nuse
5 Amy Goerner
8 Sara Singer
Cheyenne Kelly
14 Shawn Singer
15 Patti Graff
Heather Panagakos
16 Matilda Griffin
17 Susan Fleming
Steve Utz
Rachael Mountcastle
Kelly Mountcastle
23 Sara Moore
26 Peter Meadowcroft
29 Alex Panagakos

August Anniversaries

1 Alan & Becky Miller
10 Bob & Sarah Morris

September Birthdays

3 Lois Armacost

6 Gerri Martin
10 Natalie Wickline
Emmy Neuheisel
11 Brad Mountcastle
12 Tim Brown
Bob Martin
15 Katie Binebrink
16 Sandy Baber
Katie Graff
Wade Hilgartner
18 Rachel Murphy
19 Bob Bare
21 Ruth Bare
Meg Jones
27 Lynne Hammar
29 Carliana Folfas

September Anniversaries

6 Gus & Jenny Siperko
9 Brad & Kelly Mountcastle
10 Leon & Susan Fleming
15 Erik & Amy Goerner
16 Steve & Barb Utz

August

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2	3 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
4 900am – Worship Food Collection	5	6 300 pm – 430pm Pastor's Office Hours	7 730 pm AA	8	9	10 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours
11 900am – Worship Second Offering Interfaith Housing	12	13 700pm –Council	14 730 pm AA	15 700 Prayer session	16	17 1200 pm -130pm Pastor's Office Hours 800am-400pm Flea Market
18 900am – Worship Fellowship after service 1:15pm Worship at Long View Nursing Home	19 Pastor Mel vacation	20 Pastor Mel vacation 800am Sandwich Making	21 730 pm AA Pastor Mel vacation	22 Pastor Mel vacation	23 Pastor Mel vacation	24 Pastor Mel vacation
25 900am – Worship Pastor Mel vacation	26 Pastor Mel vacation	27 Pastor Mel vacation	28 Pastor Mel vacation	29 Pastor Mel vacation	30 Pastor Mel vacation	31 Pastor Mel vacation

September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 900am – Worship Favorite Hymn Sunday Food Collection SPY camping Pastor Mel vacation	2 Pastor Mel vacation SPY camping	3 Pastor Mel vacation Choir rehearsal	4 730 pm AA Pastor Mel vacation	5 Pastor to return to work	6	7 SPY camping
8 900am – Worship Special Music Installation of Christian Educators 25 th anniversary of the ELCA – “God’s work, our hands” Rally Day/Picnic	9 130 Worship and Music Committee	10 300 pm – 430pm Pastor’s Office Hours 700pm -Council	11 730 pm AA	12	13	14 1200 pm -130pm Pastor’s Office Hours
15 900am – Worship Second Offering Seminary students Sunday School classes begin 1:15pm Worship at Long View Nursing Home	16	17 800am Sandwich Making 300 pm – 430pm Pastor’s Office Hours	18 730 pm AA 645 pm Healing Service at St. Paul’s	19 700 Prayer Session	20	21 800am-400pm Flea Market 1200 pm -130pm Pastor’s Office Hours
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****NESAP Collection – Bring one or more non-perishable food or
health care items for donation, and be entered into a
special drawing for a Vera Bradley Item!!**



Back-to-School Supplies for NESAP's Assistance Program

Last year, NESAP helped 195 students start the year with the items requested by their teachers. As of July 15th, we have already received over 100 requests for back-to-school assistance this year.

To make our Back-to-School assistance program a success, we currently need the following supplies. (preferably by August 5th)

- wide ruled notebook paper
- composition books with colored covers (no black and white covers, please)
- red ball point pens
- "fat" preschool pencils
- thin tipped colored markers
- assorted dry erase markers
- pink erasers (blocks)
- pencil erasers (caps)
- notebook dividers (5 tab and 8 tab)
- two pocket folders (3 holed punched, paper (not plastic), without prongs)
- post-it notes, 3" x 3"
- flash drives

Thank you for being an advocate for our children by providing what they need to be successful!