



Pastor's Message

"All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17



On Sunday, September 15th we will begin teaching our children God's Word during Sunday school and Confirmation class. There are a great many verses in the Bible from both the Old and New Testaments that tell us how important it is to teach God's word to everyone but especially our

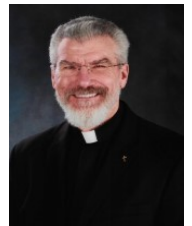
children. One of the best known comes from Proverbs 22:6 which states, "Train children in the right way, and when old, they will not stray."

In every work of construction, the most important piece is the foundation upon which something is built. Without a solid foundation, houses fall such as those built on sand instead of rock.

Here at St. Paul's we are dedicated to instructing our children in the right ways and the teachings of our Lord and Savior who gave his life so we would know the true way to the Kingdom of God.

This year we are considering ways of getting all of our church family to be involved with the building of this foundation of raising our children in the right way so they will not stray. One thought is to have parents, grandparents and other adults from our congregation to take turns telling stories and interacting with the children in an intergenerational way. These stories might be memories from your past or your parent's past in how God worked through you and your families for the sake of others. It is those 'God Moments' that made a difference in your faith journey and brought Christ a little closer to the people who crossed your path in that journey. I hope to see our Children's Sunday school transformed into a fun and interactive process of building a strong foundation of faith for our children and a renewal of our own faith.

Blessings to you in Christ Jesus,
Pastor David



**SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday to you!

- 2 Rory Tierney
- 3 Jamie Bunch
- 3 Connie Miller
- 3 Karla Strobel
- 4 Marie Scheperle
- 7 Garrett Collins
- 7 Scotty Soell
- 11 Jackson Scheperle
- 12 Desmond Pascoe
- 13 Cynthia Loesch
- 13 Anna Stubinger
- 14 Laura FrasherTuttle
- 14 Gina Prosch
- 16 Scott Brandt
- 16 Cory Strobel
- 16 Jacklyn Wood
- 17 Wesley Hanks
- 17 Jacob Meller
- 20 Lydia Trampe
- 24 Joan Stubinger
- 29 Clayton Meyer
- 30 Irlee Linhardt
- 30 Paige Russell



**SEPTEMBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Ron & Shirley Loesch 1973
- 5 Cameron & Karey Freiner 1998
- 6 Willard & Amber Gardner 2003
- 10 Gary & Carol Elliott 1967
- 13 Irlee & Virginia Linhardt 1955
- 14 Mark & Misty Schroeder 2002
- 18 David & Patricia Russell 1976
- 19 Herbert & Rose Strobel 1987
- 29 David & Zola Finch 1996

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Date	Attendance	Offering
August 04	88	\$5,237.00
August 11	85	\$2,744.61
August 18	113	\$2440.50
August 25	96	\$2673.75
Total	382	\$13,095.86

Included in financial Update: Special Gifts

Thank you Jim & Debbie Linsenbardt for your \$1,000 gift to bless the ministry of St. Paul's church in God's mission.

Continued prayers for healing, comfort and peace.

Lucy Finch, Vanessa Pyatt, Amy Buechler, Virginia Linhardt, Donna Viles, Chris Russell and Kevin Morrow.

In love and sympathy, we pray for the families of:

Richard "Dick" Alphonse Boehm, Alfred Otto Brandt and Ronald Wayne Collins. Blessings of comfort for these families.

Thank you to everyone who provided flowers for the Altar during July and August, they were beautiful.

I want to thank all of you for the prayers, cards, memorial contributions, and your kind words at the visitation for my Dad. My family and I truly appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness. Scott Brandt

Congratulations to Ashley and Randy Freeman

on their wedding August 3, 2019. Blessings to you on a life of joy and happiness.



Ask the Pastor

Question: Each Sunday we say one of three Creeds. Apostles', Nicene or Athanasian Creed. Who wrote them? When and where were they written? Perhaps you could do a creed a month?

Answer: Great question and suggestion of learning about the Creeds each month.

This month we will conclude our creed study with the least used; Athanasian Creed.

Originally believed to have been written by Saint Athanasius of Alexandria in the fourth century, scholars now are convinced it was written in the fifth or sixth century in southern Gaul, now known as France, by an as yet unknown author.

The purpose for this creed is to state, once and for all, a complete and comprehensive affirmation of our faith regarding the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons. This creed comes as close as possible in our understanding of how our triune God is one alone.

Perhaps the reason we don't use it in our worship service is due to the length which would require we cut out the sermon and two hymns. Just joking. 😊😊😊

Athanasian Creed

Whoever wants to be saved should above all cling to the catholic faith. Whoever does not guard it whole and inviolable will doubtless perish eternally. Now this is the catholic faith: We worship one God in trinity and the Trinity in unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the divine being. For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Spirit is still another. But the deity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory, coeternal in majesty. What the Father is, the Son is, and so is the Holy Spirit. Uncreated is the Father; uncreated is the Son; uncreated is the Spirit. The Father is infinite; the Son is infinite; the Holy Spirit is infinite. Eternal is the Father; eternal is the Son; eternal is the Spirit: And yet there are not three eternal beings, but one who is eternal; as there are not three uncreated and unlimited beings, but one who is uncreated and unlimited. Almighty is the Father; almighty is the Son; almighty is the Spirit: And yet there are not three almighty beings, but one who is almighty. Thus the Father is God; the Son is God; the Holy Spirit is God: And yet there are not three gods, but one God. Thus the Father is Lord; the Son is Lord; the Holy Spirit is Lord: And yet there are not three lords, but one Lord. As Christian truth compels us to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so catholic religion forbids us to say that there are three gods or lords. The Father was neither made nor created nor begotten; the Son was neither made nor created, but was alone begotten of the Father; the Spirit was neither made nor created, but is proceeding from the Father and the Son. Thus there is one Father, not three fathers; one Son, not three sons; one Holy Spirit, not three spirits. And in this Trinity, no one is before or after, greater or less than the other; but all three persons are in themselves, coeternal and coequal; and so we must worship the Trinity in unity and the one God in three persons. Whoever wants to be saved should think thus about the Trinity. It is necessary for eternal salvation that one also faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus became flesh. For this is the true faith that we believe and confess: That our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man. He is God, begotten before all worlds from the being of the Father, and he is man, born in the world from the being of his mother—existing fully as God, and fully as man with a rational soul and a human body; equal to the Father in divinity, subordinate to the Father in humanity. Although he is God and man, he is not divided, but is one Christ. He is united because God has taken humanity into himself; he does not transform deity into humanity. He is completely one in the unity of his person, without confusing his natures. For as the rational soul and body are one person, so the one Christ is God and man. He suffered death for our salvation. He descended into hell and rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people shall rise bodily to give an account of their own deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, those who have done evil will enter eternal fire. This is the catholic faith. One cannot be saved without believing this firmly and faithfully.

Peace, Pastor David

Confirmation Classes

Classes will begin on September 15 and once again will be held in the Youth Room upstairs in the educational area. Donita will provide a light meal or snack around 10:45 a.m. and confirmation students will meet at 11:30 a.m. for class. This year's focus will be centered around the Holy Scriptures.

St. Paul's Home Remedies

Upset Stomach? – Gert Strobel

My great-aunt Emma always swore by Hot Pepper Soup. She took a big mug and filled it with broken up bread or toast, added a lot of real butter, then peppered it until it was black. Then poured hot boiling water over it and ate it. Honestly, it's not too bad ...I've tried it. Now my mother always kept squirrel meat in her deep freeze. When she had a tummy ache, she boiled the squirrel and drank the broth. I remember her calling Hugo to go shoot her a squirrel. He did. As for me, I swear by drinking blackberry wine or peppermint schnapps for a stomach ache.

Pastor says next time he has a upset stomach he will try the blackberry wine...

Chigger Relief! – Zola Finch

One capful (no more than that) of Lysol in a tub full of water will do the trick.

Sick? – Jeannette Fischer

When I had a cold or flu my mother would go the smokehouse and take down a few sprigs of horsemint (a native Missouri wildflower) that she had gathered and dried during the summer and made a tea from the plant. It didn't taste too good so she added a little honey. Since this plant is a member of the mint family, perhaps it did have some benefits.

Not up to snuff? – Albin Linsenbardt

When I was a child, my mother would make a tea out of sage leaves and make us drink it if we were feeling puny or under the weather.

Feeling a little down? – Pastor David

Place an aspirin on the counter, remove a half-gallon container of ice-cream from the freezer. Put the aspirin back in the bottle and eat all of the ice-cream. (Note: the aspirin is optional.)

Did you know?

Roger Pennell

Threw on authentic Hawaiian luau for 1,200 people ... in the middle of Arizona

Kay Pascoe

Gave birth to her first child in Egypt.

Leroy Plochberger

Bought a 1969 Camaro to go drag racing.

Wyatt Prosch

Baptized on Christmas Eve.

Lester Linsenbardt

Once took a test drive in an Edsel over the Lohman Hills...going 100 miles per hour!

Kathryn Linsenbardt

Was hauled through Forrest Park in a Paddy Wagon. (That's why Kathryn and Lester are soulmates.)

Rosemary Heidbreder

Got married knowing that one of the conditions of marriage was ditching her Chevelle Malibu.

Gertrude Strobel

Vacationed in Cuba shortly before the communist takeover.

Gus Fischer

Spent a year on the Kwaialein Atoll (Island) in the Marshall Islands.

Carol Elliott

Spent a year in Iceland selling car insurance.

Erika Gerth

Babysat the children of the famous V2 rocket inventor, Werner von Braun.

Marvin Bubach

Let his baby sister use his Roy Rogers lunchbox for Sunday School.

Wyatt Prosch – Ice Skating



Wyatt participated in Ice Theatre at Washington Park Ice Arena in “The Goblin Maze” based on David Bowie’s Labyrinth. The four shows were August 10 & 11.

Wyatt just got souped up new skates and will be skating as individual and as half of a pair in Chicago on September 6, 7, & 8.

I have had an opportunity to watch Wyatt skate at the Washington Park Ice Arena in Jefferson City and I was amazed at his talent and confidence as he skated individually and with a partner.

Please join all of us here at St. Paul’s in keeping Wyatt in prayer for wonderful experience in Chicago, he is an amazing talent on and off the Ice.



Congregational Council Meeting, August 12, 2019

A regular Congregational Council meeting was called to order at 6:40pm, on Monday, August 12, 2019 by President Zola Finch. Present were council members Delores Vlach, Kathy Meller, Laurie Koestner, and Becky Weber. Mitch Plochberger arrived after the opening and prayer. Absent were Paula Linsenbardt, and Dan Tschirgi. Also present were Council Treasurer Kay Pascoe and Pastor David Viles.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Pastor Viles, who then led the group in a devotion based on Luke 12:25, on how we as Christians, can be dressed for action and have our lamps lit. We can tell when our police officers, firefighters and military members are dressed for action. We as Christians, can also be ready by remaining alert to those in need of hearing about Christ, and in need of a church home.

The President then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2019 Council Meeting, and a single action voted on by Council in July, 2019, which was the approval of payment for June mileage for Pastor Viles. The motion was offered by Laurie, seconded by Kathy, and passed via voice vote.

The President called upon Council Treasurer to present a review of the past month's expenses and incomes. A two-page review was presented and accepted. After discussion to pay Samaritan Center \$500.00, a motion was offered by Kathy, seconded by Laurie and passed via voice vote.

President then asked Pastor Viles for the mileage and activity report. Pastor's July mileage totaled 95 miles at \$55.10. A motion to approve this was offered by Mitchell, seconded by Delores, and passed via voice vote.

Pastor reported attendance at many meetings to include Lions Club, Food Bank at Trinity in Russellville, Lohman City Council, Church Council, Weekly adult forums, Weekly bible study classes, and a pre wedding discussion meeting. He made 4 home visits, 5 phone consults, 1 office visit, officiated at 1 wedding, performed 2 communion and 2 non-communion services at St. Paul's, and 1 home communion service.

The President then called for Standing Committee reports which are included below.

The President then called for discussion of Old Business. The fire drill on July 28, 2019 was discussed and it was agreed we need to evacuate the building in a more timely manner, and that people do not leave in their cars during the drill. Another drill will take place at a later time.

Life Touch will be here October 22 and 23, 2019, please call Laurie to set your appointment at 573-680-1278.

New Business: No new business

Motion to adjourn was made by Laurie, seconded by Kathy. Council was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

The Lord's Prayer was recited by all.

Technology: Dan Tschirgi

Absent. President Zola reports we will keep our old technology equipment for the time being. She also suggested that a schedule be made for those working the soundboard for worship services.

Evangelism: Delores Vlach

Delores wishes to thank Adult Forum members for providing donuts for the August 4, 2019 Fellowship Hour. Four thank you notes were sent to the people who signed the visitor cards for attending worship from June 30 to the present. Preparations are underway for the Family day set for September 8, 2019. The committee welcomes any suggestions to improve this event and she asks to please contact her with them.

Worship & Music: Kathy Meller

Kathy discussed how we can increase our choir participation, and invites anyone to become a song leader. She also invites youth to participate in worship services. She noted that our bulletins are deemed better on some Sundays than others, however printing our own would be more expensive.

The Hymn of the Month will resume in October, and suggestions for song choice are welcome.

After discussion, a proposal was put forth as follows:

- Wednesday, November 27-Thanksgiving service - 6:30 pm
- Sunday, December 22-Children's Christmas Program - 9:00 am.
- Tuesday, December 24-Candlelight Christmas Eve service with Holy Communion - 6:30pm.

A motion for these changes was made by Kathy, seconded by Laurie, and passed via voice vote.

Kathy noted November 17, 2019 is WELCA Thankoffering Service, and Pastor is on vacation. She also reports our Advent Dinner is set for December 8, 2019 at 5:30pm.

Pastor David requested those assisting with communion should come forward during the offering and be seated in the front pew with the Acolyte.

Parish Education: Laurie Koestner

Laurie reports September 15, 2019 as being "God's Work, Our Hands" Day; this may be postponed to a later date. Sunday school will resume on September 15, 2019. President Zola suggested we partner with Trinity Lutheran Church, Russellville for a monthly LYO activity. Delores suggested we consider including youth from St. John's Lutheran, Stringtown. Laurie reports we are still in need of one teacher for grades 3, 4, and 5. We currently have 4 teachers. Laurie reports our attendance is down and reports she encourages all our students every Sunday to invite their friends.

"God is good, all of the time...all of the time God is good." This was the sentiment echoed during VBS this July!! VBS also reminded young and old alike, that when we face challenges, God is there for us providing his love, strength, and grace. This theme will continue throughout the Sunday school year. Sunday school will kick off Sunday September 15th, with classes beginning immediately following worship. Adult volunteers are always welcome to enrich the Sunday school experience for all. If interested in volunteering, or questions, please contact Laurie at (573)680-1278 or via email at koestner@hughes.net. Thanks for all you do, Laurie Koestner

Church Improvement: Mitchell Plochberger

President Zola suggested that the members of WELCA make a "wish list" for projects to be included in the kitchen renovation. President Zola also suggested we consider including the Fellowship area for renovation, and that such renovation allow for multiple uses for said space. Mitch suggested we discuss kitchen renovation/fellowship at next month's council meeting.

Stewardship: Paula Linsenbardt – No report this month.

Mutual Ministry: Vacant (Pastor David Viles)

This committee is still short one member and a chairperson. At this late date in the year, Pastor David will remain in the position of acting Chairperson until our next annual congregational meeting.

WHAT DOES THIS MINISTRY DO? The main purpose for this ministry is to be the eyes and ears of the church congregation. The Mutual Ministry Committee meets on a monthly basis and is comprised of the pastor and members of the congregation at large.

The Mutual Ministry Committee is responsible for congregational personnel; it is also the conflict resolution committee for the congregation. Its responsibilities include:

- Annual Staff Review Process which includes, sending out staff review packets, soliciting feedback from the congregation, collation of reviews, meeting with paid congregational staff, evaluating the congregational job descriptions.
- Listening and being aware of potential conflicts within the congregation
- Listening and being aware of joys and successes within the congregation
- Work to the peaceful resolution of conflict and passing along compliments and joys.
- All conversations and interactions between congregation members and the Mutual Ministry committee are confidential. Our goal is to provide a safe and meaningful worship at St. Paul's.

If you are interested in becoming part of this blessed ministry, please contact Pastor David or one of the current members; Frank Pascoe, Roger Pennell, Alan Scheperle, Jackie Wood and Angie Russell.

Jr. Lutherans: Donita Stubinger

The Jr. Lutherans had a wonderful time on August 25th at the Russellville Fire Department and heard about the barn fire early that morning. Then lunch of sub sandwiches, salad and fruit and wonderful crème puffs made by Abby Gonzalez followed by swimming at the Russellville pool. More information will follow about this wonderful event and we are thankful for everyone who helped and showed up to make this a fun time. During September, we will take a break from extra activities due to so much going on at the church with Family Day and preparing for the upcoming events. But we will return with more fun during October so stay tuned to hear what is coming up.

CHOIR NEWS!

Fall fun is here with Sunday School, school activities, sporting events, and family gatherings. As you can see- WE ARE ALL BUSY. That is why joining the choir has never been easier. We know St. Paul's congregation has lots of great singers and right now our choir NEEDS YOU!! We rehearse right before church on the Sundays we sing. We will be singing songs that are not difficult-maybe even a song or two you know. So no Wednesday night rehearsals! The choir will get back to work on September 15th. So if you enjoy singing and want to be part of our group, please come join us before church at 8:45 downstairs on the 15th as we will practice our first anthem of the season. We are also looking for individuals that might be interested in being a song leader for our church services. Dan or Kathy would be willing to help support and encourage anyone that would be interested in this rewarding experience. Thanks for helping enhance our worship experience.

Fruendschaft Gruppe: Jeannette Fischer, Chair

Our gruppe will begin the new season on Sept. 9 beginning with dinner served at 5:30 PM. Thanks to Donita and Glen for again catering each month. If you would like to join us for good food, a few chores and fellowship, we welcome you to do so. The cost is \$8 per person. Please make reservations with Jeannette at 782-4594 by Sunday evening, Sept. 8.

LOOKING AHEAD

Chili Supper Update: Marlene Carlson

October 6th October 6th is just around the corner and the WELCA Board and Chili Supper Committee are working on getting all of the details ironed out for this annual event. We will be passing out food donation requests and job assignment sheets around the first of September. Please let us know as soon as possible if you will not be able to donate food or work your assigned time.

Also remember to start thinking about items you can donate to the Country Store. We are always in need of canned and baked goods, fresh vegetables, and craft items. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Meller at 782-4788 or Marlene Carlson at 690-0117. Your help in making our Chili Supper a success is always appreciated.



Dorcas Circle & S.T.A.R.S. [Seniors, tired and retired saints]: Gertrude Strobel

The Dorcas Circle and STARS groups will not meet in September, partially due to the extreme heat. The October meeting will be held on the second Wednesday, October 9th. See information below from Erika Gerth. We will be looking forward to eating left-overs from the annual Chili Supper on that date. We are needing speakers for our monthly meetings so if you have suggestions, let us know.

Flu Shots and "Healthy Back, Happy Life"- both at STARS on October 9th by Erika Gerth:

Flu season is just around the corner and it's not too soon to make plans to receive your annual flu shot! Once again, Betty Berendzen, RN at Capital Region Medical Center, will administer this important immunization to the St. Paul's community at the STARS meeting scheduled for October 9th. As a bonus, Gwendolyn Moe, Physical Therapist at CRMC, will present a program entitled "Healthy Back, Happy Life", information which is sure to give us pointers on how to deal with our aching backs! There is no charge for the flu shot - all that's needed is your insurance or Medicare card. Thanks, Erika

Cemetery Meeting – The annual meeting will be held at 1:00 pm Sunday, September 15.

Refreshments will be served at 12:30 pm. All members of the congregation are invited to attend.

Mobile Food Pantry: Audrey Bunch

The August 13th Mobile Food Pantry at Trinity Lutheran Church parking lot in Russellville went good. We had 110 families with 382 people in those families. Some of the items given out this month were fresh produce celery, lettuce, onions and tomatoes, Chocolate milk, cottage cheese, eggs, frozen waffles, French Toast sticks, pizzas, snack packs, Boom Chicka Pop (popcorn), assorted crackers and cookies. Volunteers from the Lohman Lions Club were Alberta and Gary Zumwalt, from St. Paul's Lutheran Church were Pastor David Viles, Debbie Raithel, Emily Raithel, Rosemary Heidbreder and Audrey Bunch. Next Mobile Food Pantry will be September 10th at 1:15 P.M.

WELCA: Amber Gardner

WELCA has been busy planning the fall cluster meeting being held at St. Paul's on September 28th. Please plan on attending and enjoying fellowship, Bible study and an awesome presentation by Heather of The Healing House. See more information below from Marie Scheperle. We've also been planning the annual chili supper. Be watching for your work/donation slip. If you are unable to work, please let your chili chairperson know asap.

Attention Ladies: Marie Scheperle

Our St. Paul's Lutheran WELCA is hosting the Mid-MO Fall Cluster Meeting on Saturday, September 28. We are planning a special and wonderful day. The theme for the day is "GIVE THANKS IN ALL YOU DO" based on 1 Thessalonians 5:18.

Registration is between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. (with registration fee of \$4.00) along with morning refreshments and coffee.

Following an opening devotion and group singing, our Pastor David will present a Bible Study. Business meeting will follow.

We will be serving a delicious noon meal. Our speaker for the day will be Heather Gieck, Executive Director of the Healing House and New Beginnings from Jefferson City. She is a very inspirational speaker sharing her own personal story of addiction, losing her family, incarceration and finally finding the saving grace of God. You will definitely be inspired by her talk.

Remember the date: Saturday, September 28.

St. Paul's Epistle: 50 Years Ago, 1969: Gertrude Strobel

Mark Linhardt and Ronnie Loesch were both inducted into Uncle Sam's army at the same time.. The Junior Lutherans enjoyed a weiner roast at the church followed by a business meeting and games. For September they had their business meeting and by making clowns out of coffee cans. Hostesses were Virginia Linhardt and June Jungmeyer. Delores (Gemeinhardt) Vlach was attending Dana College in Blair, Nebraska. In the smile corner: The bathtub was invented in 1850 and the telephone in 1875. It must have been delightful, sitting there for 25 years without the telephone ringing once. And that's the way it was...fifty years ago.



It's me! It's me! Paul the Mouse reporting from St. Paul's! The weather is hot and uncomfortable for even little rodents like the Mouse family. My girl friend, Paulinah, and I have been enjoying the cool church basement this summer. We are listening to the Bible studies Pastor Viles shares with our members in the Friendship Hall after worship. And there is always a crumb or two left for us in the church kitchen after fellowship. For sure this congregation eats well. Thanks to all who helped with the worship services this month, who hosted fellowships, who helped with keeping the property neat. A special thanks to Wyatt for his "birds" on the light poles....have you seen them yet?

Weather sayings this month: "As September, so the coming March." Also "The moon with a circle has water in her beak." Enjoy the month of September...that is my wish... Your friend, *Paul, The Mouse*

Margaret Circle: Erika Gerth

Members of Margaret Circle, and special guest Donna Viles, met at the home of Debbie Boyce on August 6th. Delicious refreshments and beverages preceded the Bible Study, led by Inge Gauck, which focused on the sixth chapter of Matthew in which Jesus teaches his disciples the well-known words which we know as the Lord's Prayer.

Kathryn shared a letter from World Wide Mobility with the organization's thanks to our group for donating \$300.00 which covered the cost of one mobility cart which will dramatically change the life of one individual. Kay Pascoe reported that Church Women United is again collecting paper product kits for distribution through Festival of Sharing to families in need in rural Missouri. A portion of the evening's offering was allocated toward that project. Marie Scheperle reminded us that St. Paul's will host Area 9's WELCA Cluster on Saturday, September 28th. Pastor David will lead the Bible study in the morning and Heather Gieck, Director of The Healing House and New Beginnings, will share her story in the afternoon.

Margaret Circle's next meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 PM at the Church. Kathryn Linsenhardt will host, and Inge Gauck will lead the Bible study. As always, all women and their friends are invited!

Community Family Day at St. Paul's Church on the Hill September 8, 2019

Delores Vlach, Evangelism Chairperson: Family Day is not only for our church family but also for the community. Invite your friends and neighbors! Kids: Invite your playmates. The dinner is pot-luck at 11:30 AM. Bring whatever you wish but enough to feed your family and a guest or two. Remember to bring your own table service. Note: Senior singles: You do not need to bring a dish unless you are willing and able. Your presence at dinner is most important to us.

Children: if you bring a turtle for the races, you must properly care for it. This means providing the right kind of food and a supply of water when you have it in captivity at home. Also, release it immediately after the races. If you play bingo, you may bring prizes if you wish, not mandatory. These are some of the planned activities: horseshoes, batting cage, fish pond, bingo, three-legged race, baseball doll toss, water balloons, and bounce house. We wish all who attend to have a really good time. We hope to have lots of people of all ages sharing the day.



Community Family Day
Sunday - September 8th

Hosted by St. Paul's Lutheran Church, ELCA
 8618 Church Hill Drive, Lohman

Everything is FREE
Everyone is INVITED

Games, events & fun begin at 10:30 a.m.
 after 9:00 a.m. church service

POTLUCK DINNER
 Potluck Dinner at 11:30 a.m.
 Bring enough food for your family
 and your own table service.
 (If you are unable to bring food, come enjoy
 what is already here. There will be plenty!)

Enjoy a day filled with FAMILY FUN, FOOD AND A WONDERFUL TIME.

Turtle Races
 They try hard.

Horse Shoe Games

Water Balloons

Face Painting

Big Bounce House

BINGO Donated Gifts

Batting Cage

MOORE

Buddy Packs – Thank you to everyone who brought supplies for the Buddy Pack give-a-way program held at Trinity Church in Russellville on August 6. St. Paul's donated 107 boxes of Crayons and 70 large boxes of Tissue and we had several adults and children of our church helping out with serving food and drinks as well as other things. This year's turnout was larger than last year and so many children were grateful for their school supplies, haircuts, food and other wonderful gifts. There were about 79 children who received Buddy Packs and everyone had a great time.

Wheel Chairs – St. Paul's Safety and Security Team is looking for donations of 3 wheelchairs to be used in emergency situations. If you have one that you do not plan to use, your gift to St, Paul's would be helpful and appreciated. Please contact one of the Safety and Security Team members.

Reading Through the Bible

St. Paul's 2019 Schedule Read Through the Bible		
Date	Day	Daily Reading
Sep-1	Thursday	Isaiah 44-46
Sep-2	Friday	Isaiah 47-50
Sep-3	Saturday	Isaiah 51-53
Sep-4	Sunday	Isaiah 54-57
Sep-5	Monday	Isaiah 58-60
Sep-6	Tuesday	Isaiah 61-63
Sep-7	Wednesday	Isaiah 64-66
Sep-8	Thursday	Jeremiah 1-2
Sep-9	Friday	Jeremiah 3-4
Sep-10	Saturday	Jeremiah 5-6
Sep-11	Sunday	Jeremiah 7-9
Sep-12	Monday	Jeremiah 10-13
Sep-13	Tuesday	Jeremiah 14-16
Sep-14	Wednesday	Jeremiah 17-19
Sep-15	Thursday	Jeremiah 20-22
Sep-16	Friday	Jeremiah 23-25
Sep-17	Saturday	Jeremiah 26-29
Sep-18	Sunday	Jeremiah 30-31
Sep-19	Monday	Jeremiah 32-34
Sep-20	Tuesday	Jeremiah 35-38
Sep-21	Wednesday	Jeremiah 39-44
Sep-22	Thursday	Jeremiah 45-48
Sep-23	Friday	Jeremiah 49-50
Sep-24	Saturday	Jeremiah 51-52
Sep-25	Sunday	Lamentations 1-2
Sep-26	Monday	Lamentations 3-5
Sep-27	Tuesday	Ezekiel 1-5
Sep-28	Wednesday	Ezekiel 6-10
Sep-29	Thursday	Ezekiel 11-14
Sep-30	Friday	Ezekiel 15-17

St. Paul's Bible Scholars meet each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Last month we completed Job and started reading the book of Psalms.

← **New Schedule for the Month.**

Some of what we have learned the past 4 weeks.

We finished the last 40 chapters of Psalms. This was a nice change from some of what we had been reading in the past that was repetitious and not quite what we were used to hearing about God. Poetry to God is always good.

Then we moved into the book of Proverbs. These were interesting and kind of fun. Mostly one or two liners about wisdom as handed down from a parent to a child. Most of them were very good with teaching against foolishness and peer pressure. Teaching of good work ethics and doing what is right in life. Others seemed almost silly, like 11:22 "Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman who shows no discretion."

The book of Ecclesiastes taught us "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven" but everything we do is just a "chasing after the wind". Rich and poor alike end up the same, dead. All is vanity, "There is nothing better for mortals than to eat and drink, and find enjoyment in their toil."

Our next book was Song of Songs, Oh My! That was a little unexpected. You may not want your children to read this until they are adults. Yes, it is a little racy and talks of great desire and love. But, it is important to remember just how much God loves us and that he will do anything to keep us, even if it means dying for us on a cross. The descriptions can be a little strange such as the man describing his lovely lady, "Your hair is like a flock of goats, moving down the slopes of Gilead. Your teeth are like a flock of shorn ewes that have come up from the washing." Hmm, I'm not sure how romantic that really sounds, especially in our day and time...

We ended the month about two thirds through the book of Isaiah. This prophet pronounces God's judgement on Judah, Jerusalem and the surrounding nations but also promises the restoration after their exile. This seems to have been one of Jesus' favorite books as he quotes from it often.

If you are living outside of this area and can't attend, feel free to send questions or comments to Pastor David's email address. davidviles@cox.net

Q. How long did Cain hate his brother?

A. As long as he was Abel.

Q. At what time of day was Adam created?

A. A little before Eve.

Q. Where is the first math homework problem mentioned in the Bible?

A. When God told Adam and Eve to go forth and multiply.

St. Paul's Calendar							SEPTEMBER	2019
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
Calendar Online Link								
1 9am Worship Fellowship Hour 4pm Bible Reading Group	2 Labor Day Holiday	3 9 AM Worship & Music Meeting	4 Bulletin Printed	5	6 Pastor's Day Off	7		
8 9am Worship Communion 10:30 Family Day 4pm Bible Reading Group	9 5:30 pm Fruendschaft Gruppe 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting	10 1:15 pm Food Pantry	11 Bulletin Printed	12 6 pm Pastor Lion's Club	13 Pastor's Day Off	14		
15 9am Worship Sunday School and Confirmation begin. 1:00 pm St. Paul's Cemetery meeting 4pm Bible Reading Group	16 8:30 am WELCA Chili Supper Committee	17 6 pm Pastor at Lohman City Council	18 Bulletin Printed 6:30 pm Mutual Ministry Meeting	19 6 pm Pastor prayers at Russellville City Council High School	20 Pastor's Day Off	21		
22 9am Worship Communion 4pm Bible Reading Group	23 Epistle Deadline	24	25 Bulletin Printed	26	27 Pastor's Day Off 5 pm Meller, White Wedding Rehearsal	28 9 am Mid-MO Fall Cluster Meeting at St. Paul's 5 pm Meller, White Wedding		
29 9am Worship 4pm Bible Reading Group	30							

Date

Ushers

September 01 Delores Vlach | Becky Weber
 September 08 Zola Finch | Laurie Koestner
 September 15 Paula Linsenbardt | Kathy Meller
 September 22 Mitchell Plochberger | Dan Tschirgi
 September 29 Delores Vlach | Becky Weber

Acolytes | Communion – Youth - Adult

Emma Gardner
 J.D. Muphry | Kaitlyn Finch | Erika Gerth
 Kate Freiner
 Kylee Scheperle | Matthew Miller | Marie Scheperle
 Lexie Plochberger

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Greeters

September 01 Laurie Koestner | Jerry Koestner
 September 08 Frank Pascoe | Donald Weber
 September 15 Abby Bubach | Stacy Bubach
 September 22 Don Buchta | Audrey Bunch
 September 29 Gary Elliott | Richard Heidbreder

Readers

Bill Gerth
 Erika Gerth
 Devin Koestner
 Cynthia Loesch
 Audrey Bunch

Communionware For Month

Mark and Kathy Meller

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