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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

May 2011

Rev. James Bruner
Rev. Kirk Abatelli



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

*The May Messenger
is sponsored in memory of
William & Doris Gardner's
wedding anniversary.*

At times children, teenagers, and adults say things that really bring joy to my heart. In a confirmation class I taught a few years ago, I asked a student about what her favorite part of worship was. She said, "Prayer." I never got that answer before so I asked why she liked that part so much. The student said, "I like talking to God; asking Him to help others and to just talk to Him."

I admired her answer. She understood what prayer is. It is talking to God as we would to a family member or friend.

But some still do not know how to have a conversation with God. There are people who try to imagine God sitting next to them or walking with them to help them talk to God. I remember sitting on my couch around ten o'clock at night talking to God. I pictured Him sitting there listening to me. I pictured Him sitting there laughing with me about what I found humorous, consoling me when I was frustrated or sad, and even crying with me. This is what God promises to do for us. I can picture the weird looks I get walking home seemingly talking to thin air, but talking to God.

God promises to be there: *Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age (Matthew 28:20)*. He promises to listen to us: *You will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you (Jeremiah 29:12)*. And again promises He will deliver us when we call upon Him: *Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me (Psalm 50:15)*.

The question people always ask next is, "What do I pray about?" There is a great acronym for prayer that helps with this: A.C.T.S.

- A**doration: Acknowledging God as Creator and praising Him.
- C**onfession: Confessing our sins and weakness to God.
- T**hanksgiving: Thanking God for His forgiveness He has given in Christ, and other blessings He has given us: family, friends, house, etc.
- S**upplication: Seeking God's help for our problems and those around us.

There is a story I have read that describes and is an example of what prayer is, Dad's Empty Chair.

A man's daughter had asked a minister to come and pray with her father. When the minister arrived, he found the man lying in bed with his head propped up on two pillows. An empty chair sat beside his bed. The Minister assumed that the old

man was told of his visit. "I guess you were expecting me," he said.

"No, who are you?" said the father.

The minister told him his name and said, "I saw the empty chair and I figured you knew I was coming."

"Oh, the chair," said the bedridden man. "Would you mind closing the door?" Puzzled, the minister shut the door. "I have never told anyone this, not even my daughter," said the man. "But all of my life I have never known how to pray. At church I used to hear the pastor talk about prayer, but it went right over my head. I abandoned any attempt at prayer." The old man continued, "Until one day four years ago, my best friend said to me, 'John, prayer is just a simple matter of having a conversation with Jesus. Here is what I suggest. Sit down in a chair; place an empty chair in front of you, and in faith see Jesus on the chair. It's not spooky because He promised; 'I will be with you always'. Then just speak to Him in the same way you're doing with me right now telling Him what's on your heart.' So, I tried it and I've liked it so much that I do it a couple of hours every day. I'm careful though, if my daughter saw me talking to an empty chair, she'd either have a nervous breakdown or send me off to the funny farm."

The minister was deeply moved by the story and encouraged the man to continue on the journey. Then he prayed with him, anointed him with oil, and returned to the church.

Two nights later the daughter called to tell the minister that her dad had died that afternoon. "Did he die in peace?" he asked.

"Yes, when I left the house about two o'clock, he called me over to his bedside, told me he loved me and kissed me on the cheek. When I got back from the store an hour later, I found he died. But there was something strange about his death. Just before Dad died, he leaned over and rested his head on the chair beside the bed. What do you make of that?"

The minister wiped a tear from his eye and said, "I wish we could all go like that."

In Christ,
Pastor Abatelli



May Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



Binder, Janice	5/1	Edler, Santana	5/9	Wagner, Melissa	5/17	Meacham, Daniel	5/26
Evans, Craig	5/1	Edler, Shane	5/9	Wood, Maxwell	5/17	Miller, Cynthia	5/26
Jensen, Jean	5/1	Harrington, Matthew	5/9	Zeck, Angela	5/17	Foley, Steven	5/27
Pashby, Timothy	5/1	Keinath, Marie	5/9	Bastian, Lisa	5/18	Lyons, Dani	5/27
Schiefer, Amy	5/1	Lyons, Stacie	5/9	Harsen, Jean	5/18	Michael, Christopher	5/27
Sebert, Koltyn	5/1	Marks, Marie	5/9	Petzold, Heidi	5/18	Nelson, Todd	5/27
Blogg, Robert	5/2	Myers, Joshua	5/9	Yatsevich, Kyle	5/18	Polzin, Dylin	5/27
McIntyre, Marian	5/2	Decker, Patrick	5/10	Damm, Constance	5/19	Reinert, Ricky	5/27
Petzold, Jonathan	5/2	Gross, Adam	5/10	Fisher, Kelsy	5/19	Schiefer, Matthew	5/27
Rasmussen, Donald	5/2	Hoard, Kristin	5/10	Holtsberry, David	5/19	Ferrier, Mark	5/28
Reinig, Kim	5/2	Kern, Mary	5/10	ILL, Larry	5/19	Garrett, Sharon	5/28
Smith, Colton	5/2	Lince, Sandra	5/10	Marks, Arlyn	5/19	Goodhue, Jordan	5/28
Smith, Seth	5/2	Mays, Sarah	5/10	Popham, Wyatt	5/19	Keinath, Rachel	5/28
Torres, Katlyn	5/2	Bradley, Betty	5/11	Rodammer, Jay	5/19	Leitz, Carmen	5/28
ILL, Rachel	5/3	Gentry, Cathy	5/11	Van Wormer, Marilyn	5/19	Pavlicek, Joseph	5/28
Jones, Heather	5/3	Holmes, Cherri	5/11	Betzing, Trevor	5/20	Pavlicek, Ryan	5/28
Myers, Hudson	5/3	Kern, Harry	5/11	Decker, David	5/20	Straub, Marlene	5/28
Paquette, Lindsay	5/3	Piar, Julie	5/11	Frahm, Jordyn	5/20	Weber, Flora	5/28
Stewart, Emma	5/3	Reinbold, Caleb	5/11	Inman, Daniel	5/20	Weber, Katherine	5/28
Stratton, Lori	5/3	Bonadurer, Nancy	5/12	Jensen, Jacob	5/20	Cobanovich, Chad	5/29
Wagner, Nancy	5/3	Johnston, Dianne	5/12	Opperman, Kelley	5/20	Jaruzel, Joanne	5/29
Jaruzel, Michelle	5/4	Sayles, Sue	5/12	Estes, Donna	5/21	Johnston Sr., David	5/29
Jones, Holly	5/4	Stewart, Matthew	5/12	Heuchert, Donald	5/21	Koch, Jennifer	5/29
Kern, Landon	5/4	Walz, John	5/12	Bentley, Amy	5/22	Martinez, Christian	5/29
Washburn, Travis	5/4	Aguirre, Harper	5/13	Ehrhardt, April	5/22	Martinez, Taylor	5/29
Jones, Jeffrey	5/5	Alberts, Christian	5/13	Fall, Misti	5/22	Schwab, Victor	5/29
Mitchell, Rebecca	5/5	Bonadurer, Troy	5/13	Kabat, Theodore	5/22	Ahlersmeyer, Benjamin	5/30
Paquette, Quintin	5/5	Ehrhardt, Kieran	5/13	Knoll, Gary	5/22	Brueggemann Jr., James	5/30
Williams, Joshua	5/5	Erickson, Crystalyn	5/13	O'Dell, Robert	5/22	King, Ron	5/30
Bickel, Timothy	5/6	Love, Jackie	5/13	O'Neil, Angi	5/22	Montney, Michael	5/30
Bierlein, June	5/6	McTaggart, Geffory	5/13	Shaffer, Robin	5/22	Schultz, Stephan	5/30
Bleuer, Betty	5/6	Myers, Zachary	5/13	Thomason, Angela	5/22	Wittum, Ronald	5/30
Butterfield, Owen	5/6	Sayles, Ashlie	5/13	Frahm, Brenda	5/23	Cunningham, Alfred	5/31
Clouse, Susan	5/6	Schmandt, Stephen	5/13	Gronowski, Kelsey	5/23	Howe, Carolyn	5/31
Edler, Rian	5/6	Stohon, Marcia	5/13	Jensen, Katie	5/23	Lichnovsky, Chelsea	5/31
Frahm, Jodie	5/6	Zwack, Ernst	5/13	Sandusky, Matthew	5/23	Lichnovsky, Torrey	5/31
Glynn, Thomas	5/6	Greer III, Larry	5/14	Bodeis Jr., James	5/24		
Horning, Rosalyn	5/6	Meacham, Colin	5/14	Detgen, Jessica	5/24		
Johnson, Adam	5/6	Werner, Gina	5/14	Duckworth, Charles	5/24		
Kaiser, Emma	5/6	Williams, Mark	5/14	Mohr, Seth	5/24		
Sayles, Kieth	5/6	Wood, Emily	5/14	Peche, Eunice	5/24		
Stevens, Destiny	5/6	Jensen, Anna	5/15	Blue, Jamie	5/25		
Sutton, Mya	5/6	Keinath, Laura	5/15	Howay, Thomas	5/25		
Withers, Taylor	5/6	Lince, Erik	5/15	Ide, Andrea	5/25		
DuRussel, Meghan	5/7	Reinert, Dawn	5/15	Keinath, Jonathan	5/25		
Mieske, Ronald	5/7	Reinert, Terri	5/15	Koch, Marie	5/25		
Paquette, Barbara	5/7	Williams, David	5/15	Kowitz, Tammy	5/25		
Petzold, Stephanie	5/7	Allen, Joshua	5/16	Lyons, James	5/25		
Rueger, Betty	5/7	Mason, Ashley	5/16	McLaren, Edna	5/25		
Weber, Timothy	5/7	Petzold, Loraine M.	5/16	Sutton, Jack	5/25		
Auernhammer, Ann	5/8	Reed, Leota	5/16	Damm, Ian	5/26		
Shreve, Jackson	5/8	Werner, Debra	5/16	Denome, Lydia	5/26		
Brown, Audrey	5/9	Ley, Skylar	5/17	Johnson, Gary	5/26		
Bruner, Alexis	5/9	List, Carmin	5/17	Loper, Erik	5/26		

If your name does not appear on your birthday month, please call the church office so we can update our records. Thanks.

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A Mother's Prayer

*God, give me wisdom to see that today is my day with my children,
That there is no unimportant moment in their lives.
May I know no other career is as precious,
No other work so rewarding,
No other task so urgent.
May I not defer it nor neglect it,
But by Thy Spirit accept it gladly, joyously, and by Thy grace realize
That the time is short and my time is now,
For children won't wait!
- Helen M. Young*

Calendar of Events

BASE (Body and Soul Exercise)

Every Sunday from 3-5PM. Join us as we become stronger Christians in heart, mind and body.

Quilting

Tuesdays from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall.
Everyone is welcome!

Crafts

Dorcas Crafts every Wednesday at 9:30AM
at Anna Tuttle's home. Please join us!

Heroes

Tues., May 3rd at 7PM.

If you are a man who wants to make a positive impact at St. Paul Lutheran, we would love to have you join our **HEROES Men's Ministry**. We meet each month on the first Tuesday at 7PM. If you have any questions, please call Eddie Meeks 989-714-1031, David Kaiser 823-3111, or Pastor Abatelli 871-5015.

How about a Euchre Tournament?!!!

This is an opportunity for fun and fellowship and also to help the 7th graders raise funds for their Washington D.C. trip next fall. Enjoy an evening playing euchre, **Friday, May 6th, beginning at 7PM in the Parish Hall**. The doors will open at 6:30 for registration and snacks. There will be hot pasties to purchase, and extras (still frozen) to buy to take home. We will also have other snacks such as; popcorn, pop, chips, etc. The tournament is for euchre players 18 years and older. If you need a babysitter, please contact Angela Zeck (989) 795-9129. We will find high school students that need volunteer hours for Valley Lutheran High School or Millington National Honor Society along with our own 7th graders. You may give a free will donation for registration at the door and there will be prizes for the first 10 places.

A SCRAPBOOK EVENT at St. Paul

(Sponsored by the Board of Youth & Fellowship)

Saturday, May 14th

TIME: 9AM-7PM -doors open to set up at 8:30AM

WHERE: Parish Hall

COST: Pre register \$5.00 or \$10.00 at the door

PRIZES: Great Food! Great Fun! Prizes!

BRING: Your own stamping &/or scrapbook supplies, a dish to pass and beverages if you want other than coffee or water.

A Representative from Stampin' Up and Creative Memories will be set up with supplies, lessons, "how-to's" and ideas. **PLEASE R.S.V.P.** in the school office or with Susan Jensen 871-4866 or e-mail: jenco33@yahoo.com

SCRAPBOOKING MAKES MEMORIES

THAT LAST A LIFETIME....

JESUS MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST FOREVER!

Messenger/Calendar Deadline Monday, May 16

Voters' Meeting

The **Voters' Assembly Meeting** has been changed to Wed., May 18th at 7PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Voting members 18 and older may vote.

A Very Special Sunday

Through our worship and praise on Sun., May 22nd, we will give glory and thanks to God for 27 years of Christ caring for people through the Stephen Ministry program.

Since being implemented at St. Paul/St. Timothy by Pastor Albert Engler in 1984, hundreds of members have successfully completed the 50 hour training course, been commissioned, and have served their Lord as lay care-ministers to a wide variety of God's people.

On this day, we will also be honoring one of God's servants, Laurel Woodward, who has served as a Stephen Minister and Leader for 25 years.

In addition to worship, please join us between services as your Stephen Ministers & Leaders sponsor a special, between services Fellowship Time in the Projects Room of St. Paul Lutheran School. Please join us and give our special guest, Laurel Woodward, a big THANK YOU hug for all she has done for her Lord.



Mark Your Calendar!

(More details to follow in upcoming Messengers.)

St. Paul Garage Sale

Fri., July 8th and Sat., July 9th

If you have any treasures you don't need anymore, please bring them to the Parish Hall beginning Mon., June 27th.

Family Cookout

Fri., July 15th

Michigan's Adventure Trip

Thurs., July 21st

Detroit Tiger Game

Fri., July 29th

Spiritual News



Adult Bible Studies Sunday Mornings at 9:45AM

- † **Amos Old Testament Bible Study** - Led by Pastor Bruner in the Parish Hall.
- † **The Gospel of Mark** - Led by David Kaiser in the Computer Lab.
- † **Adult Instruction Class** - Led by Pastor Abatelli in the Projects Room.
- † **S.T.A.T.I.C. (Serving Together As Teens In Christ) – High School Bible Study** – Led by Laura Gleim in the Youth Room.



8th Grade Confirmation

Sun., May 1st in the 11AM service.

8th Grade First Communion

Sun., May 8th in the 11AM service.

Meetings

Council Wed., May 4th at 7:30PM

Stephen Ministry Mon., May 9th & 23rd at 7PM.

Dorcas Tues., May 17th at 6:30PM.

Evangelism Tues., May 24th at 7PM.

Elders Wed., May 25th at 7:30PM.

Breakfast Club

Millington High School Students:

Every Friday Morning

@ 7am in the School Cafeteria!

St. Paul hosts on Fri., May 20th.

Donations needed: eggs, soft taco shells, shredded cheese, sausage, juice, chocolate milk and doughnuts.

Please call Laura Gleim if you can help.



Offices Closed

The offices will be closed Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day.

Thank you to all the service men and women who have fought and are continuing to fight for the freedoms we have.

May Scripture Readings

May 1st

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

I Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

May 8th

Acts 2:14a, 36-47

I Peter 1:17-21

Luke 24:13-35

May 15th

Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

I Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

May 22nd

Acts 17:1-15

I Peter 2:4-10

John 14:1-12

May 29th

Acts 17:22-31

I Peter 3:15-22

John 14:15-21

Musical Opportunities



Church Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 6:53PM.

There is a **nursery available** during choir rehearsal for parents with young children. Please join us.

Praise Team

Meets every Thursday at 6:15PM.

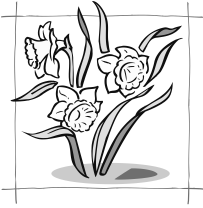
Anyone is welcome to join at any time.

Youth Services

We are looking for any youth and adults who would like to help with the music (singing, playing an instrument, etc.) for our Youth Services every 5th Sunday. If interested, please call the church office 871-4581 ext. 3.

Abatelli Updates

In order to keep the congregation up to date on the Abatelli family, posts will be made at www.caringbridge.org. Type "katieabatelli" under visit a website and add your email address.



May Schedule



Acolytes

May	Time	Acolyte	Back Up
1 st	8:30AM	Tim & Kent Singer	Nick Harsen
1 st 8 th Grade Confirmation	11AM	Bethany & Tim Daenzer	Addison & Stephen Ley
7 th	7:30PM	Hayley Usrey & George Corrigan	Alex & Tim Sergent
8 th	8:30AM	Eddie & Ed Meeks	Taylor Martinez & Tim Popham
8 th First Communion	11AM	Addison & Stephen Ley	Garrison & Gary Hecht
14 th	7:30PM	Zack & Morgan Aulbert	Taylor Martinez & Tim Popham
15 th	8:30AM	Aaron & Kent Singer	Evan Hoard
15 th	11AM	Garrison & Gary Hecht	Eddie & Eddie Meeks
21 st	7:30PM	Taylor Martinez & Tim Popham	Jeremy Corrigan & Brandon David
22 nd	8:30AM	Nick Harsen	Andrew & Richard Cobb
22 nd	11AM	Bethany & Tim Daenzer	Addison & Stephen Ley
28 th	7:30PM	Brandon David	Tyler & Jordan Goodhue
29 th	8:30AM	Andrew & Richard Cobb	Tim & Kent Singer
29 th	11AM	Aaron Reinbold & Aaron Knoll	Justin Allen

Greeters

First Sunday	8:30AM	Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy III
	11:00AM	Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims
Second Sunday	8:30AM	Russell & Sherry III & Rachel III
	11:00AM	LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel
Third Sunday	8:30AM	Dianne Scarborough, Natalie Smith
	11:00AM	Rosie Horning, Linda Kester, Dale & Pam Hanlin
Fourth Sunday	8:30AM	Jim Bickel
	11:00AM	Evelyn Gregory, Anna Tuttle, Cheri Sutherland
Fifth Sunday	8:30AM	Donna Torrey
	11:00AM	Linda Kester, Steve & Nila Schmandt
Second Saturday	7:30PM	Bill Bleuer & Betty Bleuer

Greeter Subs – Denise Miller (871-2675), Sherry Sebert (871-3084)

Ushers

Team A

7:30PM	Brian Glady - Captain; Dale Peche
8:30AM	Phil Gordon - Captain; Ron Johnson - Assistant John Keinath, Kerry Koch, James Kribs, James Petzold, Larry Petzold Peter Shollack, Chris Smith, Gerry Smith, Gerry Smith II, Jason Smith
11:00AM	Dick Gross - Captain; Arnold Petzold - Assistant Chuck Eilers, Jason Germain, Steve Holmes, Seth Keinath, Tom Keinath, Derrick (Kip) Keinath, Mike O'Hearn, Phil Petzold, Mathew Slough

Church Sextons

Rodger & Judy Grulke	Elmer Snover
Ray & Judy Leach	Ted & Katrina Wager
Ron & Ruth Mieske	Rod & Nancy Wilson
Ed & Marcia Keinath	

Thank you to everyone who in any way volunteers their time to help with the worship services. May your servant heart continue to bless those you serve at St. Paul.

Memorials / Miscellaneous

MAY 2011 MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN HONOR OF Margie Scannell on her Birthday General Fund	\$20.00
IN HONOR OF Loretta Weber for 50 years of membership in Dorcas LWIM General Fund	\$50.00
IN THANKSGIVING FOR Pastor Bruner and IN HONOR of His Birthday General Fund	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Joseph Newbold Building Fund	\$100.00
IN MEMORY OF Donald Haines Building Fund	\$170.00
IN MEMORY OF Verna Keinath To be designated by family	\$30.00
IN MEMORY OF Darry Brown General Fund	\$30.00

Carryover Deficit 2/28/11	(15,703.42)
March General Fund Income	95,054.13
General Fund Expenses	<u>96,180.93</u>
Balance	<u>(1,126.80)</u>
Ending Deficit 3/31/11	<u>(16,830.22)</u>
Building Fund	22,255.50
Missions (Budgeted & Non-Budgeted)	2,042.10
T.I.M.	1,306.50
VLHS	447.00
Boiler Fund	845.00

Honor Roll Valley Lutheran High School

3.75+

Hannah Keinath - 12th Grade
Matthew Singer - 11th Grade
Nathaniel Kern - 10th Grade

3.25

Alex Odorico - 11th Grade
Joel Keinath - 10th Grade

Millington High School

All A's 12th Grade

Jessica Harpst
Shelby Howay
Rachel III
Katelinn Koeltzow
Kelsi McAlister
Sadie Sergent
Cameron Wilson
Emma Zeck

B or Better 12th Grade

Alyxandra Carlyon
Ashleigh Devereaux
Alyshia Fyke-Jolly
Alexandria O'Hearn
Ryan Petzold

11th Grade

Kelsey Howay
Rachel Jensen
Nicholas Maschke

11th Grade

Tyler Auernhammer
Kourtney Piar

9th Grade

Raeann Henderson
Ashley Jensen
Jason Keinath
Shianne Tatro
Olivia Zeck

9th Grade

Colin Meacham
Brittany Nelson
Hannah Sergent
Brianne Wolfer

God's Blessings go to our 8th Grade Confirmation Students!

Jessica Allen
Morgan Aubert
Zachary Aubert
Angela Burton
Drake Carlyon
Andrew Cobb
Jeremy Corrigan
Kelli Crittenden
Brandon David

Tyler Goodhue
Larry Greer III
Nicholas Harsen
Jacob III
Brendan Johnson
Austin Koch
Tayler Martinez
Owen Reinig
Alexandria Sergent

Serve & Volunteer

Opportunities to Serve and Volunteer

Grounds Clean Up

Spring is fast approaching and **the need to take care of the grounds** is upon us again. One of the areas is the flower beds around the church and school. If anyone in the congregation is willing to help with the weeding, watering and planting, please contact Dwight Keinath at 871-3739 or Dennis DeOrnellas 871-4444. We want to thank the Webers for all of the help they have given St. Paul Lutheran Church over the years. Thank you, The Board of Trustees

It's Spring Clean Up Time!

Cleaning out the closets? The attic? The crawl space or garage? Need help painting? Raking up last year's leaves? Your St. Paul Youth are here for you! If you need help with any of these tasks (or anything else you need done around your house) please contact the church office or Laura Gleim to set up times.

KROGER RE-ENROLLMENT TIME

Even if you are a current member-all participants must sign up for the program in order to earn funds for your group during 2011-2012. Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com click on "Michigan" and click on "Enroll." You must have a valid online account at Kroger.com and must sign up online to participate. The St. Paul Organization number is 83361.

Baby Bottle Campaign



The Board of Social Concerns will once again be having a **Baby Bottle Campaign** for the Positive Alternatives Pregnancy Center. **Bottles will be in the narthex on Mother's Day and can be returned to the school or church office by Father's Day.**

Puppet Ministry

We are looking for someone to head up the puppet ministry. We have the puppets - we just need a leader and puppeteers 8th grade and up. Please contact the church office if interested.

Coffee Hour

We would like to continue to have **coffee hour** between services in the summer and need people to make coffee and snacks (ex: breads, muffins, cookies, donuts, crackers, fruit). We are also looking for someone to organize the coffee hour for next year. Please call the church office or sign up on the sheet in the Parish Hall if you can help.



Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be June 27th - July 1st from 9-11:30AM. Volunteers are needed in the following areas: station leaders and helpers, snacks and more. We are also looking for someone to coordinate VBS next year. Please prayerfully consider this position.

In order to prepare ahead of time, the **following craft items are desperately needed** by Wed., June 1st. 836 pony beads, 1 roll of tape, 24 key rings, colored sand, poster board, and star & jungle stickers. A drop off box is located in the narthex.

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please call the church office 871-4581 ext. 3 or Betty DeOrnellas 871-4444. Thank you!

Yearbook Pictures

Pictures are needed for the 2010-2011 school year. The children love to see their pictures in the yearbook. If you have any class photos, sports, events, candid shots, field trips, etc., please bring to the school or church office or email stpaul@tds.net "Attn: Yearbook." Thank you for your help!



Mother's Day Slideshow

If you would like to have pictures in the **Mother's Day slideshow**, please bring no more than two per person to the church office by Fri., May 6th.

Did You Know...

- ◆ That 68 Arch Books of the Easter Story and a variety of Christian pamphlets were given out at the Easter Egg Hunt on April 16th?
- ◆ There were 38 people that attended the Young Adult's Night in April?

St. Paul Website

Remember to check out our St. Paul website www.stpaul-millington.org for church and school information. There are also many links available for additional information and resources.

Church Signs

**Under Same Management
for Over 2000 Years.**



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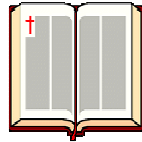
“How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!”
1 John 3:1

Our offerings for Chapel this month are going toward our Local Food Pantry Fund.

Our hymn of the month is:

Hail Thee, Festival Day LSB # 489

Bible verses for the month are:



5/1-7	Ephesians 3:14-15
5/8-14	Ephesians 5:19-20
5/15-21	I Peter 1:3a
5/22-28	Isaiah 43:1b
5/29-6/4	Galatians 3:26

As the school year winds down, we have several very special events during May to mark on your calendars.

- May 1 [Confirmation](#) 11:00 a.m. service
- May 4 [Athletic Banquet](#) 6:00 p.m. We will acknowledge the God-given athletic talents of the boys and girls that participated in school athletics. Awards will be given to the athletes for their participation as well as a special award- *The Reflection of Christ*. This award will be given to the eighth grade boy and girl that most reflects Christ in everything they do, both on the field of competition and off. Our speaker for the evening will be Mr. Tom Roekle.
- May 5 [Kindergarten graduation pictures](#):
- May 8 [8th grade First Communion](#) 11:00 a.m. service
- May 25 [Academic Banquet](#) 6:00 p.m. Invitations will be sent to the boys and girls in 5th-8th grades that will be recognized during a dinner in their honor for using their God-given academic talents throughout the school year. The *Evan Johnson Memorial Scholarship* will be awarded during the banquet. Our speaker for the evening is former St. Paul student, Miss Rachel Schiefer.
- May 26 [Preschool Picnic](#)
- May 27 [Hot-air Balloon Presentation](#)
- May 30 [NO SCHOOL ~ Memorial Day](#) Both the school and church offices will be closed as well.



May Sports



May 7	Valley Grade School Invite at VLHS	TBA
May 14	Cardinal Classic Meet at VLHS	TBA
May 17	TCLL Relay Meet at Reese HS	TBA
May 21	Regional track meet at VLHS	TBA
May 31	Meet of Champions at Lapeer West	TBA
June 4	State Meet	TBA



School Music Opportunities

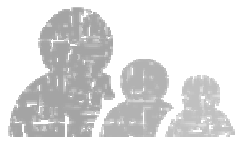


May 1	Free Spirit Choir	Both services
May 8	All Students in K-5	choose service

We would like to say thank you to the coaches, players and fans for your help and support during the Boys Volleyball, Girls Soccer and Track seasons. Thanks also go out to all of the teachers and parents that helped make the Lutheran Schools Music Festival such a success.

We keep *SCRIP* available in the school office, which makes it an easy and convenient way to get gift cards. Remember that these are great for Mother's and Father's Day and graduation gifts.

We also participate in a program with Kroger where we receive 5% of your purchase with a Kroger card. Your Kroger card needs to be registered for St. Paul to receive credit. The registration is easy. Check the school newsletter or contact the school office for details.



Youth News

4Twelve Youth Ministry May Events

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." 1st Timothy 4:12

S.T.A.T.I.C. High School Ministry
(Serving Together As Teens In Christ)

Sunday, May 8th 5:30-8pm

Youth Night

This week's topic:

"Soul Surfer"

Sunday, May 15th 2:30-8:30pm

Photo Scavenger Hunt!

Make sure you've got your camera, comfy shoes and lots of energy to run around because its time for our.....

PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT!

We will be meeting at St. Paul for lunch and then you will get to head out to take photos of items from all over the area and doing random acts of kindness.

Friday, May 20th-21st 10pm-8am

Lock-in

C'mon and join us for a fun filled evening of games, Bible study, glow-in-the-dark Capture the Flag, Nerf wars, and food!

Cost: \$3 for pizza and pop

Forms: Permission and health forms can be found on the Youth Board by the Church Office.

All Forms and Money are due by 5/12.

ALL YOUTH EVENT

Sunday, May 29th 2pm

Join us for a day of SERVICE!

We will be going around the Millington area helping rake yards, plant flowers, mow grass, paint sheds, and other clean-up opportunities. We will start off with a cook-out at 2 and head out to work after that!

Wear some clothes you don't mind getting dirty, and bring any yard cleaning supplies you might have!

Adults are more than welcome to come too!!!!

E.D.G.E. Jr. High Ministry (Grades 6-8)

(Eternally Driven by God's Example)

Sunday, May 8th 3-5pm

Youth Night

Join us as we take a look at a different everyday object to see how we can use it to apply God's word to our lives.

This Week: Pencils

Sunday, May 22nd 3-5pm

Youth Night

Join us and bring your swim suit and water guns as we enjoy an afternoon of fun (hopefully in the sun!) and devotional time!

MICHIGAN DISTRICT JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING



LOCATION

The Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering 2011 will be held on the beautiful campus of Concordia University in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

GROUP SIZE and MAKEUP

There is no minimum or maximum for the size of a church's group, though it is suggested that there be at least one adult leader (21 years of age or older) for every six youth. **If a group is to have both male and female youth participants, there must also be at least one male and one female adult leader.**

PARTICIPANTS

The Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering 2011 is for youth (entering grades 7, 8, or 9 in the Fall of 2011) and adults (minimum 21 years of age) who are affiliated with an LCMS congregation. Pastoral verification is required of all adult leaders.

HOUSING

All participants will be housed on campus in one of several campus dormitories. Male and female participants will be housed in separate dormitories. Each dorm has eight suites consisting of two bedrooms, each with two beds, and an adjoining bathroom with shower. Youth will be housed together with their adult leaders, and the adult leaders will remain with them for the entire weekend.

COST

Early bird pre-registration (April 1 – May 13): \$115 p/person
Pre-registration (May 14 – June 30): \$125 p/person
Late pre-registration (July 1 – July 29): \$150 p/person

If you are interested in attending we will be having
a brief meeting, Tuesday, May 10th @ 6:30pm in the youth room.

Any Questions? Contact Laura Gleim

Young Adults Night!

For High School Graduates through Age 30
Saturday, May 21st @ 7pm.

We will be having our second exciting event @ St. Paul. We'll have volleyball, basketball, a dodgeball tournament, various card games, and a Flashback Wall filled with pictures from your days as a St. Paul Spartan! So bring yourself and a couple friends for a great night of fun, food, and fellowship!

Donations are needed – please call the church office if you can help.



May 2011

St. Paul Lutheran Church Activities

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 8:30AM Worship+C <i>Church Choir/Free Spirit</i> 9:45AM **See Notes 11AM Worship <i>Church Choir/Free Spirit</i> <i>8th Grade Confirmation</i>	2 7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation	3 7PM Evangelism 7PM Heroes	4 9:30AM Crafts 6PM Athletic Banquet 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Council	5 6:15PM Praise Team	6 9-11AM Storyhour 7-10PM Euchre Tournament	7 7:30PM Worship +C
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> 8:30AM Worship/ K-5th Grade 9:45AM **See Notes 11AM Worship+C / K-5th Grade <i>8th Grade 1st Communion</i> 3-5PM BASE 3-5PM EDGE 5:30-8PM STATIC	9 7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation 7PM Stephen Ministry	10	11 9:30AM Crafts 6:53PM Choir	12 6:15PM Praise Team	13 9-11AM Storyhour 5-7PM Jr. High Dance	14 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking Wedding Heather Minnock / Jason Jones 7:30PM Worship
15 8:30AM Worship+C 9:45AM **See Notes 11AM Contemporary Worship 3-5PM BASE 3-5PM EDGE 5:30-8PM STATIC	16 <i>Messenger / Calendar Deadline</i> 7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation	17 6:30PM Dorcas	18 9:30AM Crafts 6:53PM Choir 7PM Voters' Meeting	19 6:15PM Praise Team	20 St. Paul hosts Breakfast Club at MHS 9-11AM Storyhour	21 7PM Young Adults' Night <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> 10PM-8AM High School Lock-In </div> 7:30PM Worship +C
22 8:30AM Worship / Handbells 9:45AM **See Notes 11AM Contemporary Worship +C 3-5PM BASE 3-5PM EDGE	23 7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation 7PM Stephen Ministry	24	25 9:30AM Crafts 6PM Academic Banquet 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders	26 Pre-School Picnic 6:15PM Praise Team	27 9-11AM Storyhour	28 Youth Service 7:30PM Worship
29 Youth Service 8:30AM Worship 9:45AM **See Notes 11AM Worship	30 Memorial Day No School Offices Closed	31	**9:45AM Notes** Bible Study Sunday School Adult Instruction Class			



Millington Fall Festival

Sept 30 - Oct. 1, 2011
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Have you heard? There's a new festival in town.

The Millington Fall Festival is a family-friendly, harvest-inspired celebration.

The Festival will offer numerous child friendly games, free pumpkins for children, a crafters display area, a petting zoo, picture taking opportunities, free rides for children/families, and a *tractor and engine show*. We are also anticipating an awesome agricultural display, a quilt show, entertainment, food booths, and more!

Friday evening will cap off with a Fish Fry from 3 pm to 7 pm. Saturday morning starts with a pancake breakfast. The festival is open to the public free of charge, 9 am to 5 pm, both days. Make plans to join us for this great event! In addition, this festival will offer a great opportunity for sharing your time and talents with others. Please mark these dates and set aside time to assist in making this festival as great as it can be. Check out the back of this page to see all the great opportunities to assist in making this a wonderful family event.



Millington Fall Festival Volunteer Opportunities

Many hands are needed to make this festival very successful. All types of help is needed—you are not too old, young, busy—opportunities are available for all. These opportunities are not restricted to St. Paul members—anyone interested in taking on a certain area, please contact Elaine Bickel or Diane Leach at 871-4581 ext. 4 or Diane Bishop at 871-4810

Examples of help needed

- Grow pumpkins/gourds at your home and bring them to grounds on Sept. 29
- Set up and run children's games
- Run craft area (supplies will be furnished)
- Furnishing craft supplies
- Sell pumpkins/gourds, etc. and hand out "free" pumpkins
- Provide/run barrel train
- Create round bale characters (tractor, pumpkin, ???)
- Share your musical talent by playing, singing, etc. during a set period
- Assist with petting zoo
- Assist with agricultural set-up and displays
- Run Welcome station/first aid/information booth
- Help park cars
- Garbage detail-emptying garbage cans and picking up grounds as needed
- Bathroom detail-policing indoor bathrooms and restock as necessary(18 yrs old +)
- Providing plywood characters for grounds décor
- Providing straw, corn stalks, etc. for grounds décor
- Help set up/tear down festival
- Help with Friday night fish fry
- Help/Run Saturday morning pancake breakfast
- Help/Run food booths (Contact Diane Bishop to take over a booth)
 - lunch booths
 - baked goods/fresh apple fritters/pies
 - bean soup booth
- Help with baking, stocking food booths
- Provide tractor/trailer/wagon for transporting from parking to festival
- Take and place informational brochures at businesses in surrounding areas
- Can detail-police and collect returnable pop cans/bottles/recyclable containers
- Run an interactive craft booth—older kids/adults—e.g. corn husk dolls, stained glass, etc.
- additional help as needed—Thursday, Sept. 29
 - Friday, Sept. 30
 - Saturday, Oct. 1
- General grounds cleanup – Sunday, Oct. 2