

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the summer months I'm sure many of you have vacations on your mind. With school out for the summer I'm sure many students are excited to take a break from learning. But are we ever done learning? The Psalmist understood the need to learn all there is for us to know about the Lord in Psalm 25 we read:

"Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth
and teach me, for you are the God of my
salvation; for you I wait all the day long." -
Ps. 25:4-5

As God's children, we are encouraged to have this same desire to be taught by the Lord. We should seek to be led in His paths.

To that end, Mary took the opportunity as soon as it presented itself. In Luke 10 we read of a time when Jesus visited the home of Mary and Martha. Martha was busy with much serving, but as I'm sure many of you remember, Mary sat at Jesus' feet to listen to His teaching. She knew what she needed. She needed to learn all that the Lord had to teach.

God calls us to hear His word, to learn from Him. And to pass on what we have learned. St Paul urges Timothy to do just this in his second letter to him. He writes:

"You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus. and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also." 2 Tim. 2:1-2

What we have heard we are to pass on. And what better way for us to pass this on than to do so ourselves. We have all sorts of opportunities to do this. We can volunteer for Vacation Bible School you don't have to be a

teacher to pass on what you have learned. We can pass on the love God has shown us with a caring word, a friendly smile, a warm welcome to those coming to visit our church, or through acts of service like helping serve a snack or lead a craft. VBS isn't the only place we can follow St Paul's words though, our Sunday School program is always looking for more volunteers who are willing to pass on the good news of God's saving truth, and these are just two of the ways we can pass on what we have learned.

Jesus had a few things to say about the little children who come to these sorts of things. In Matthew 19 we read:

"but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."" - Matt 19:14

Children may be done learning in schools for the summer but as God's children, none of us are done learning about our Savior. God always has more to teach us about his great love for us.

So come and be a part of it. Come and learn with us. Hear what God has to say in His Word as we worship together in church every Sunday. Join us for Bible Study every first, third, and fifth Sunday of the month or every Wednesday at 11. There's always more to learn. So though some are taking a break from learning, don't stop learning what God has to teach. Hear His love spoken in every word of the Bible that together we may pass on what we have learned, whether that be to children, neighbors, or friends.

In Christ,
Pastor Nathan Peitsch

MONTHLY MEETING

Elders Meeting is Tuesday, June 4th at 6:30 p.m.
Council Meeting is Tuesday, June 11th at 7 PM.

LCW

Our meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall. The next meeting will be June 6th. The meets are only an hour. If you are interested or have questions, please call or text Terri Mohr (712)269-8598.



ACOLYTES SIGN-UP SHEET

Catechism students the sign-up sheet for acolyting for May – August is in the back on church on the bulletin board.



CHURCH RECORDS

Confirmed

May 5, 2024 - Caden Scheer, Carter Leitz, Katelynn Schaffer & Jenna Rosener



Baptism

Ezra John Schaffer, son of NiKay Schaffer & Paul Tuttle, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on May 5th.

Genevieve AnnMarie Teut-Hollander, daughter of Sasha & Jordan Teut-Hollander, received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on May 12th.

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

We are listing Baptismal birthdays to remember and celebrate the day we were adopted into the family of God through the washing of the Holy Spirit. Those having Baptismal birthdays in June are:

Jenelle Conto	1
Brett Mohr, Raymond Holst	4
Kent Seieroe	5
Dolly Krohn	6
Kyle Bumsted, Max Kelm	10
Gary McCall	13
Jerry Thies	15
Neal Bartels	17
Elaine Holst	18
Jayne & Kyle Savery, Skye Grindle	19
Linda Plough, Kenley Creese	20
John McCall	22
Morgan Teut, Kerry Vinke	23
Teri Hinrichsen, William Sorensen	24
Mardi Goslar	27
Jennifer Lynn	28
Calliyah Mareau	29
Nancy Edmundson	30
Millie Christophersen	



SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS

June 4 – Nancy Edmundson (89 yrs old)
June 25 – Bill Urwiler (86 yrs old)

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES (every 5 yrs & 40 up)

June 2 – Harvey & Lynette Thies (51 yrs)
June 3 – Jerry & Leanne Thies (35 yrs)
June 4 – George & Gina Hull (41 yrs)
June 8 – Don & Teresa Mordhorst (56 yrs)
June 10 – David & Judy Meadows (35 yrs)
June 13 – Marvin & Karen Koch (54 yrs)
June 18 – Bill & Kim Creese (48 yrs)
June 24 – Keith & Becky Meadows (46 yrs)
June 28 – Brook & Jeremy Shufflebarger(15 yrs)

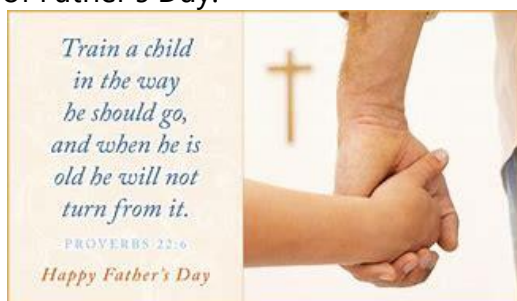
PLEASE GIVE US A CALL

- before going to the hospital
- birth of your baby
- death in the family
- making wedding plans
- address and name changes
- private communion



NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

The newsletter this month is sponsored in honor of Father's Day.



Please contact the office if you'd like to sponsor the newsletter. The cost is \$40 to sponsor a newsletter.



SPECIAL MISSIONS OFFERING

This year our special mission is Lutheran Braille Workers. Our goal is \$3,000. Here is some information about LBW. <https://www.lbwloveworks.org>



Mission

Because God desires salvation for all... Lutheran Braille Workers freely shares the Gospel with people who are Blind or Visually Impaired.



LOST & FOUND

There was a pair of bifocal glasses found at the church. If you or someone you know has lost a pair, please talk to Deanna.

"THY STRONG WORD"

Thy Strong Word is a 5 min. daily devotional message given by LC-MS pastors. It is aired at 6:25 a.m., Mon.-Sat. on KDSN, FM107.1

June 20-25 Rev. Chad Trunkhill

Our Savior/Bethlehem

June 10-15 Rev. Richard Merrill

Multi-Point, Charter Oak

June 17-22 Rev. Nathan Peitsch
St. Paul's, Ute

June 24-29 Rev. Ted Torreson

Christ, Denison

GOOD SHEPHERD HOUR

This program is a ½ hour worship service heard on Sioux City, KSCJ, 1360 AM, at 8:00 am.

MAIN STREET LIVING

Main Street Living is a television ministry of the Lutheran churches of Missouri-Synod and of the Iowa West District. The worship service is on Sundays at 10 am on channel 9 KCAU, the ABC Network from Sioux City.



Mission Central – Visiting Missionaries 2023

LCMS World Mission 40718 Highway E16 Mapleton, IA 51034 712-882-1029 Gary Thies (gary.thies@lcms.org) www.missioncentral.us

June 1 - Rev. Adam Lehman and Family
Puerto Rico - 1:30 PM



VBS VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for some volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School. It is on Saturday, June 22 from 9:00am-3:00pm. If you can help an hour or two or all day that would be wonderful. All help is welcomed. Please contact Tina, Angie or Nina if you can help.





**St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Vacation Bible School**

**Saturday, June 22, 2024
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

3 years old -5th grade

Invite your friends, grandkids, nieces, and nephews!

Lunch and snacks will be provided

Please send a beach towel and swim attire

Sign up in the back of church or [facebook.com/stpaulsute](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsute)
or by messaging on church facebook, Tina Bernholtz, Angie Kroll, or Nina Leitz



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As you may be aware, Greenfield, Iowa has recently been devastated by a powerful tornado that caused significant damage to homes, infrastructure, and lives. Families have lost their homes, cherished belongings, and, tragically, some have lost loved ones. Thankfully, Immanuel Lutheran Church in Greenfield did not sustain damage. We have heard of others in Western Iowa who have also been impacted by these storms.

In times like these, our faith community has an opportunity to come together and make a difference. We are reaching out to you today to request your support for our disaster relief efforts. Your generous donation will directly impact the lives of those affected by this natural disaster.

How You Can Help:

1. I would ask each of our congregations to keep our communities in your prayers. Encourage your congregation to pray for healing, strength, and resilience during this challenging time.
2. We kindly ask for your financial support. You may wish to consider a door offering. Your contribution will go toward emergency supplies, shelter, and long-term recovery efforts.
3. There will be organized efforts to provide physical assistance through LERT (Lutheran Early Response Teams). If you are trained or would like to be trained by LERT please go to www.lcms-lert.org. All LERT communication can be found on this site.
4. I encourage individual congregations to organize their own volunteer efforts. Just check with community leaders where their needs are.

Ways to Donate:

1. By mail: send your check payable to Iowa District West with "Disaster Relief" in the memo line.
2. Online: IowaDistrictWest.org and click on "Donate" to make a secure online donation. Select the "Disaster Relief" option.
3. In person: Drop off your donation at the district office during business hours.

We are deeply grateful for your compassion and willingness to stand with us during this challenging time. Your support is more than a financial gift; it's a beacon of hope for those who have lost so much.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Dr. Steven D. Turner

President Iowa District West

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Office 515-576-7666—Cell 515-341-3602

How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news! Rom 10:15

Iowa District West LCMS 409 Kenyon Road, Suite B Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Julie Mann

IDW Disaster Response Coordinator & IOWAY Director

Iowa District West LCMS

Cell 515-408-9696

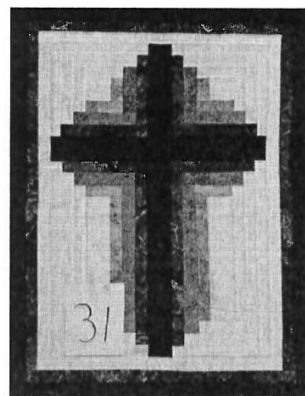
www.idwlcms.org

"Be kind, compassionate, and forgiving to each other, in the same way God forgave you in Christ." Ephesians 4:32

UPDATES FROM CAMP OKOBOJI

Things are really buzzing this month as we prepare for another summer season at Camp Okoboji! We are putting the finishing touches on the Ezra cabin re-build. New playground equipment is being constructed, and a new rubber base will be installed later this month. We're grateful to so many and the Camp Okoboji Auxiliary for supporting the playground project!

CAMP OKOBOJI ANNUAL QUILT AUCTION will be Saturday, June 1, 2024. The auction is hosted by the Camp Okoboji Auxiliary and will include a craft fair and a free-will donation lunch beginning at 11am. The Auction will begin at 12:30 pm. Quilts will be available for preview online at www.campokoboji.org or onsite on Friday, May 31 from 5-7 pm or Saturday 9 am to 12 Noon. Auction proceeds will go towards updates needed in our Family Ministry cabins.



JOIN US FOR WORSHIP! Camp Okoboji hosts worship each Sunday between Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend at 9 am in the Christian Life Center. Our first worship will be Sunday, May 26, with Rev. Chris Nitzel of Hartley. If you're in the Lakes area, join us!

OMELET BRUNCHES are held the first Sunday of the month, May-October from 9:30am – 1 pm in the Ginny DeWall Dining Hall. Our next Brunch will be Sunday, June 2. Join us!

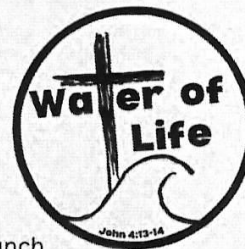
CAMP OKOBOJI SUMMER 2024

Discipleship Programs

May 31-June 2...Kids' Kamp
June 7-10...JOY Camp #1
June 23-27...Cub Week #1
June 30-July 5...July 4 Family Retreat
July 7-13...Junior High Week
July 11-14...JOY Camp #2
July 14-20...Cub Week #2
July 21-27...Youth Week (High School)
July 28-August 2...Family Retreat #1
August 4-9...Family Retreat #2

Other Events

January 26-28...Family Ice Fishing Retreat
May 3-5...Spring Volunteer Work Weekend
June 1...Camp Okoboji Auxiliary Quilt Auction
June 16-22...Minneboji Lutheran Camp
June 23-27...Living Proof Dance Camp
May 26-September 8...Sunday Worship
1st Sundays of the Month (May-October)...Brunch



For more information and to register, visit campokoboji.org

