



# St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

Church • School • Preschool

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**Worship Schedule: Saturday at 6:30 PM and Sunday at 7:45 AM & 10:15 AM**

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<b>April 29 &amp; 30, 2023</b>	<b>Easter 4: Good Shepherd</b>	<b>Hymns</b>
<b>Order of Service</b>	<b>Service of Word</b>	551
	Service booklet	555 (Psalm 23)
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>Psalm 23</b>	552
		876:3-4
		518
	You Need Your Shepherd	640

## Welcome to St. Paul's!

- Parents, feel free to use the **child training room** to calm or feed small children. It's located across from the restrooms and is equipped with sound & light controls. There is a one-way privacy shade in the smaller section past the room divider as well should you need it.
- A **t-coil hearing loop system** is active for those with hearing aids. Headsets are also available. Ushers can help if you have questions.
- **Large print copies** of our service are available in the entryway.
- **Restrooms** with changing stations are to the right as you exit church.
- **Offerings** are gathered during worship. *As the offering plates are brought forward, please stand and sing 876:3-4.*

**Ushers** this week (29&30) teams are 4 (C. Hintz), 5 (B. Tabbert), and 6 (M. Ewerdt). Greeters will be C. Kitchen, R. Eggers, B. Ewerdt. Next week (6&7) will be teams 7 (D. Preissner), 8 (C. Williams), and 9 (J. White). Greeters will be B. Oelke, K. Fischer, V. White. Our organist this week is Will Hinn. Thank you for your service to our Savior and St. Paul's!

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: HE LIVES TO BE MY GOOD SHEPHERD

Every culture has the concept of an ideal citizen, someone who typifies its values. For much of the United States' history, the ideal citizen was the American farmer: hardworking, innovative, and vital to our collective well-being. Even some of our first presidents were farmers.

For the people of Israel, the farmer wasn't their ideal citizen. It was the shepherd. Sheep were an invaluable source of clothing and food. But they were hard to keep in the Judean countryside. Its sparse grasslands are intermixed with desert. For sheep, food is sparse, but predators are plenteous. The survival of sheep was dependent on their shepherd. There he is. Weather-beaten. Sleepless. Armed. In the dusk, he scans the land, counting his sheep, making sure they are all accounted for, every one of them on his heart. You see why Jesus chose the shepherd to illustrate how he cares for us. He feeds us with His Word. He protects us from that roaring lion, Satan. Jesus is leading us into the green pasture of eternal life. For centuries, the Church has observed this Fourth Sunday of Easter to celebrate that he lives to be our Good Shepherd.

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 29 – May 7, 2023

4/29	<b>Sat.</b>	6:30 PM	Worship
4/30	<b>Sun.</b>	7:45 AM	Worship
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Bible Class, & Bible Info. Class
		10:15 AM	Worship with Confirmation (choir, 5-8 & Chimes)
5/1	<b>Mon.</b>	8:30 PM	Pastors Study Club at Redeemer in Fond du Lac
		6:00 PM	Public School Catechism Class
5/2	<b>Tues.</b>	6:15 PM	WInGS
5/3	<b>Wed.</b>	8:45 AM	Adult Bible Class
5/5	<b>Fri.</b>	10:30 AM	Lutheran Home Service: Pastor Kampman
5/6	<b>Sat.</b>	6:30 PM	Worship with Communion
5/7	<b>Sun.</b>	7:45 AM	Worship with Communion (3-4 sing)
		9:00 AM	Sunday School, Bible Class, & Bible Info. Class
		10:15 AM	Worship with Communion (1 <sup>st</sup> communion for 8 <sup>th</sup> graders)
		11:45 AM	Piano Recital Mary Nell's Students
		2:00 PM	PreK-2nd Spring Program: Songs from Around the World



*St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School, & Preschool  
striving to proclaim Christ and His saving Word  
to more people, more often.*

## **St. Paul's Preschool is currently accepting applications for enrollment**

With Mrs. Megan Schoenbach taking over next year, it would be great to pack the preschool room with young people ready and eager to learn about their Savior and the many blessings He has provided through an education here at St. Paul's. *We have had a lot of interest and are encouraging members to lock in their child's seat now as we may run out of room and be forced to cap enrollment.* Brochures with registration information are available in the entryway or across from the office. Information is available online at [www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/preschool](http://www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com/preschool).

## **St. Paul's Lutheran School**

While preschool is filling up, we still have plenty of room in our K-8 classrooms. If you know anyone who would benefit from a Christian Education, please let them know about all we have to offer here at St. Paul's. Feel free to grab a school brochure and pass it along or have them check us out online. If they want to talk to someone you can have them contact Mr. Aaron Hartwig, our school principal, or our pastors. Any of them would love to let people know all our church and school can offer their families at a pretty affordable price.

## **Hot Lunch**

We are extremely grateful for the years of service given to the school's students by Mr. and Mrs. Don and Beverly Burger as they've led our hot lunch program. They have announced that they'll be stepping down from their position at the end of the school year. That means we're beginning the search for a new hot lunch coordinator. If you think you might be interested, please speak with Mr. Hartwig.

## **Winnebago Lutheran Academy News**

### **WLA Summer Camps**

The WLA grade school summer camp schedule is available at [wlavikings.org/camps](http://wlavikings.org/camps). Registration is open. Camps for cheer, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, football, theater, & band are available.

### **WLA Call Update**

*Mr. Brad Bendix* continues to deliberate a call to be principal at Risen Savior in Mankato, MN. Currently, Mr. Bendix is WLA's Activities Director and history teacher.

*Mr. Tyler Geisthardt* was called to teach math and coach at WLA. Mr. Geisthardt (WLA Class of 2011) teaches at Little Chute High School.

*Miss Rachel Nemitz* was called to serve at WLA as a special education instructor. Miss Nemitz currently serves at St. John, Newtonburg, WI.

Please keep these teachers, their families, and their schools in your prayers.

## April Voter's Meeting Highlights

We also discussed our shortfall and how best to bring it to the congregation's attention and monitor it in the future as we seek to meet the commitments made in our January Voter's Meeting. So far this year the total deficit has equaled \$41,000. We are asking all members to prayerfully consider their offerings and if possible increase the current amount given to reflect the increases we voted in at our January Meeting. Every dollar given is a blessing from our God as we seek to use those gifts wisely and the glory of His name. *Special Deficit Reduction envelopes are available at the information center by the hearing loop headsets should you wish to make a gift over and above your regular offerings.*

Voters ratified the following membership changes:

- *1 transfer out:* Carol Kemnitz to St. Peter's Eldorado
- *7 baptisms:* Luka Emerich on February 4, Amelia Schlosser on February 26, Nicholas Buerger on March 12, Reese Merwin on March 26, Madeline Palmer on April 16, Cordelia Drummond on April 16, and Evelyynn Hinz on April 23.
- *7 transfers in:* Megan Schlosser, Dan & Abby Mose, Frank, Lauren, and Clayton Graumann, and Jeannine Paul
- *1 profession of faith:* Andrea Roach
- *7 funerals:* Jill Frederick on January 24, Joyce Erke on February 21, Madonna Peachy on February 25, Roma Schram on March 15, Edith Hinn on March 27, & Janet Schwefel on April 12

We ratified changes to the budget to reflect the called workers that are coming in. Total changes brought down our projected budget number by around \$3,000.

We extended Mr. Mathwig's provisional call for another year while he works on licensure and synod certification. It was noted that he has been doing an excellent job since joining our faculty.

We authorized a new roof for the parsonage from improvement funds (\$20,000). The work will be done by Kottke Construction in the coming months.

At his request, we changed Mr. Aaron Hartwig's housing allowance (this has no budgetary impact but is for tax purposes only).

## **Adult Bible Study: A Clear Confession for a Clearly Confused World**

A confession is a statement of what one believes. Study of the Lutheran confessions might sound a bit boring, but in a world where we are confused about, well, just about everything, confessions are not only needed but the only way out of the confusion and back to clarity. This study will seek to acquaint us with the Lutheran Confessions, allow us to compare them to Scripture, and discuss a few doctrines they contain. Join us Sundays at 9:00 am or Wednesdays at 8:45 am in the fellowship hall.

## **Bible Information Classes Sundays at 9 AM!**

*Basic Bible Christianity* is a 15 – lesson Bible information course. Each lesson includes a study of key passages of Scripture and the opportunity to search and discuss those Scriptures with a pastor. This class also prepares participants to decide whether they wish to join us at St. Paul's and receive the Lord's Supper. Please let Pastor Ehlert know if you are interested in attending. You can still jump in. We would be happy to catch you up!

## **Confirmation 2023**

We have the pleasure of welcoming seven young men and women into communicant membership this Sunday. May 7 at our 10:15 am service, we will invite these young men and women to the Lord's Table for the first time. We congratulate these young men and women and continue to pray for our young people, asking that the Lord of the Church continue to strengthen their faith as they make regular use of His Means of Grace.



**McKenna Rose Balson**

Jeremiah 29:11

**Ema Liz Burkholder**

Isaiah 53:5

**Miles Scott Chambers**

Ephesians 2:8,9

**Aubryn Violet Rose Gudex**

Isaiah 60:20

**Joseph Ralphard Haines V**

Romans 8:28

**Drew Dennis Stettbacher**

Isaiah 41:10

**Adelaide Caroline Tonn**

Psalms 119:105

## **Ascension Worship & Summer Schedule**

Our *Ascension Service* is *May 18 at 6:30 PM*. It will be a different service than those which we will have on Saturday and Sunday as we focus on our Lord and Savior ascending into heaven to guard and guide all things for the sake of the Church. Speaking of Saturday and Sunday worship, *we will also begin our summer schedule of worship on May 18*. This means we will offer a Thursday and Saturday Service at 6:30 PM and only one Sunday Service at 9:00 AM through Labor Day. This schedule allows members to have the best of both worlds over the summer, enjoying the outdoors on the weekend and still being able to regularly rest their souls in worship. We can stay connected to Jesus even in the summer months.

## **Mr. Hartwig Has Received a Call**

Sunday, April 23, Mr. Aaron Hartwig received a Divine Call to serve as School Shepherd (kinda like a co-principal) and grades 3-4 teacher at St. John's Lutheran School in Lomira, WI. Thank you for keeping him in your prayers as he deliberates, and feel free to give him any input you think would be beneficial.

## **St. Paul's Funds Highlight: Special Funds (2 per week)**

### **SPLS Tuition Assistance Fund**

This fund helps families in need of assistance paying for their children to attend school here at St. Paul's

### **SPLS Wishlist Fund**

This funds the various non-budgeted items which arise in the course of a school year.

## **Offerings**

We offer a variety of options to help you support the Gospel ministry:

- Place your gift in the offering baskets at church when you worship.
- Mail your gift to St. Paul's Lutheran, 1010 Adams Ave., NFdL, 54937.
- Drop your gift off in the "birdhouse" post near the office entrance.
- Scan the QR Code to go to our giving site.
- Use Vanco Automatic withdrawal from your checking account. Sign-up sheets are available at the information center, on the table in front of the office, or our website. Contact the office to set it up.
- Use "Vanco Mobile" found in your smartphone's app store. Search for "North Fond du Lac, WI", and choose St. Paul's. The church account is for offerings. The School account is for tuition payments.



## **Offerings & Attendance Holy Week:**

We presented the following gifts to our Lord: Current – \$9,178.93; Missions – \$994.50; Improvement – \$165; Mortgage – \$1,533; Easter – \$100; Extended Care – \$1,275; Worship at the Cross – \$22; St. Paul's Student Aid – \$50; Organ/Piano - \$150 (Electronic funds in these gifts – \$5,717.41; Weekend offerings totaled \$13,468.43; Weekly target \$18,960). In-Person Worship: 290 (83, 64, 143 [livestream – 30]). Flowers on the reredos (back wall of the altar) were given by the families of our confirmands.

*Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce.*

*Proverbs 3:9*