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Worship: Saturday at 6:30 PM & Sunday at 7:45 & 10:15 PM

| January 21 & 22, 2017 | Epiphany 3 | Hymns |
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| Order of Service: | Service Folder | 560 |
| Psalm of the Day: | Psalm 27 | See Folder |
| Sermon Text & Theme: | Matthew 4:18-22 | |
| Fish for a Precious Catch | | 83 v. 1 & 3 |
| 1. Use the Lord's net | | 579 |
| 2. Go fish now, but be patient | | 566 |

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul's!

- Assistive listening devices for the hearing impaired, as well as children's bulletins, are on the information centers.
- Large-print service folders are available in the entryway. These may be helpful for all because they contain the words of the entire service.
- A Child Training Room is available for parents with small children.
- **Restrooms** are just to the right as you exit the sanctuary.
- **Please sign our friendship register** and pass it down the pew. We hope this will help us get to know one another better!
- **Service Note**: Please be sure to **get a service folder** from the usher for the order of worship today.

God's Word this week: From fishing boats to synagogues, from workmen to lame men, Christ cast a beacon of light into the darkened world around him with his three-fold ministry of teaching, preaching, and healing. The kingdom of heaven drew near and called God's children to follow the light, live as children of light, and to become fishers of people.

Ushers this weekend are Teams Schwefel, Babler, and Schwartz. Next weekend *(Jan. 28/29)* ushers will be Team 16 (E. Purswell), Team 1 (D. Schumacher) and Team 2 (L. Ziemer). Our **greeters** this week are Patricia Brennand, Don & Kathy Thurow, and Cathy Mensch. Next week they will be Pam Eckert, Dave & Linda Pechman, and Tony & Jackie Palmer.

Hymn History: During our services this weekend we will sing two hymns written by the Rev. John C. Lawrenz -- one from the hymnal (560 - *I Hear the Savior Calling*), and one from his booklet entitled *Lutheran Hymns for Special Occasions*. Pastor Lawrenz has served as parish pastor, missionary, professor, and past president of Michigan Lutheran Seminary. He was also born here in North Fond du Lac when his father, the Rev. Carl Lawrenz, was pastor at St. Paul's from 1932-1944.

| January 21 - 29, 2017 | | |
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| 6:30pm | Worship | |
| 7:45/10:15am | Worship (Kindergarten sings; Chimes at 10:15) | |
| 9:00am | Sunday School and Bible Study | |
| 11:30am | Voters' Meeting | |
| 6:10pm | Confirmation Instructions | |
| 6:30pm | Senior Choir | |
| 7:30pm | Chime Choir | |
| 8:45am | Bible Study: Christian Vocation | |
| 6:30pm | Worship at the Cross | |
| 7:00pm | Adult Open Gym | |
| 6:30pm | Worship (Grades 1-2 sing) | |
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| 9:00am | Sunday School and Bible Study | |
| 11:30am | WLA Let's Celebrate | |
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Sunday School: This week's lesson is the account of Jesus and the Samaritan woman. In this lesson we learn that Jesus gives the Spirit who cleanses us from sin through faith in Christ. Talk with your children about how sin causes us to have guilt and shame before God and how it is removed by God's forgiving love. Discuss, *"Jesus comes for all people, no matter what race or color they are."*

Our Bible Study is *Christian Vocation.* Our vocations are the various roles to which God has called us in life. We have many! Through our vocations we love and serve our neighbors and display humble gratitude to God. Come learn more at Bible class for adults and teens on Wednesdays at 8:45am and Sundays at 9:00am. As always, please feel free to bring your family and friends.

Volunteer helpers clean the church and remove snow from the sidewalks. We have 2 walk-behind blowers. Can you choose a week and sign your name on the list in the narthex for either of these? If you have questions, please contact the Board of Properties (on the list) or the office. **Flowers:** If you would like to place flowers on the altar any weekend, a handy flower chart in a marked binder is on the information center. Just write your name, fill out the envelope, and we'll handle it from there!

Our 1st Quarter Voters' Meeting will be this Sunday, Jan. 22nd at about 11:30 (following the 10:15 service). Please plan to come.

B.I.C.: The pastors would be glad to begin another Bible Information Class. These classes prepare people for membership and the Lord's Supper. There is no obligation or cost. If you or someone you know has an interest, please let the pastors know.

WLA Update

WLA's **Let's Celebrate Day** is **next** Sunday, **Jan 29th**, 11:30-4:00. The WLA Booster Club will serve lunch from noon-2:00, and dessert and ice cream will be available to go with entertainment provided by WLA and Association grade schools. There will be games for the younger kids on the east mezzanine, silent auctions, and more. Everyone is invite to celebrate God's grace!

Second Impressions **Thrift Store** is hiring an assistant manager. A complete job description and application can be found on the WLA website (wlavikings.org) or picked up in person from the WLA office. Applications will be accepted through Tuesday, Jan. 24. Questions may be directed to Andy Nygaard (517-4462) or Andy.Nygaard@mercmarine.com.

Our WInGS group would like to send care packages to St. Paul's college students. If you are interested in having your student participate, please contact Karen with their information (name, address, institution) at 922-1080 or <u>kmbehnke@charter.net</u>.

Jesus Cares Bible Class: Our first Bible Class for the developmentally disabled will be held Wednesday, Feb. 1st, 6:30pm at the ARC in Fond du Lac. Thereafter, it will be held the 1st Wednesday of each month. We are still seeking some more volunteer teachers and helpers. This is a wonderful opportunity to reach out with the gospel to those with special needs. If you can help or want more information, please contact Pastor Behnke at St. Paul's or Pastor Haugly at Faith Lutheran.

WELS United is hosting a volleyball league open to all WELS members 16 years old and up. The games will be played Sunday afternoons either at 4pm or 5pm at St. Peter's Lutheran School gym. The dates are Feb. 12, 19, 26 and Mar. 12, 19, 26. You can sign up as individuals or with friends. Once names are compiled, we will draft teams and you will be contacted by your team captain. Please see the signup sheets in the entryway!

Pastors Conference: On Monday, January 30th, the pastors of the Winnebago Pastoral Conference will meet at St. Paul's for their scheduled winter meeting. At these conferences the pastors from our area circuits worship together, study the Scriptures, and discuss reports and updates from district and synodical organizations. The meeting will last from 9:00am to mid-afternoon. We thank our generous women of WInGS for serving a lunch for the pastors that day!

Financial Peace University will be offered at St. Peter's Lutheran Church beginning Sunday, Feb. 12 at 7:00pm. This nine week class will teach you how to achieve your financial goals by showing you how to eliminate debt, save for the future, and give like never before. For more information, to register, or to request childcare, please contact Pastor Brett Naumann at 920-251-2418.

Couples Date Night at St. Paul, Winneconne presented by Shane Hansen on Saturday, Jan. 28, 5:30-7:00pm: As a couple you will think, communicate, and create common goals for your marriage, as well as identify ways to support each other. Themes covered include communication, identifying and determining shared values and developing goals to align your priorities. Register at <u>www.stpaulsfamily.com/datenight</u>. \$20 per couple includes materials as well as light refreshments and snacks.

On January 22, 1973, the United States Supreme Court legalized abortion in all 50 states by permitting a mother to take the life of her unborn child at any time during the pregnancy. This "right" has been exercised more than 59 million times since that fateful day. Today our mission remains unchanged. Proclaiming the destructive nature of sin and the restorative healing of forgiveness through Christ is our church's mission. When hearts are converted by that message, lives are saved and actions become Godpleasing. Please pray for our nation and its unborn lives.

Memorial: A gift to Student Aid from David Jahns in memory of his father, Melvin (Butch) Jahns who passed away 15 years ago on Jan. 15th. **Flowers** this week are from Dave & Beth Kemnitz who were married 20 years ago on January 25th. We congratulate them!

Pastor Phil Janke will be installed as Communication & Recruitment Coordinator and Instructor at WLA on Monday, Jan. 23, at 9:38am during an extended chapel period. We rejoice with him and our Christian school!

