

St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran

Church · School · Preschool

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Worship Schedule: Thursday & Saturday at 6:30 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM Online services, materials and so much more can be found at www.stpaulslutherannfdl.com or follow us at www.facebook.com/stpaulsnfdl

May 27 & 28	Pentecost	Hymns
Order of Service Sermon	Service of the Word Service folder in Hymnal 1 Corinthians 12:4-10	590 Psalm 104 585
Spiritual gifts for each, for all		751:1,2 858 593

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* 751:1-2.

Ushers this week (27&28) teams 5 (B. Tabbert), 6 (M. Ewerdt), and 7 (D. Preissner). Greeters will be B. Oelke, B. Ewerdt, K&L Robinet. Next week (1,3,4) will be teams 8 (C. Williams), 9 (J. White), and 10 (T. Schwefel). Greeters will be open, V. White, & D&K Thurow. Our organist this week is Trevor Kuphal (Thur.) & Will Hinn (Sat. & Sun.). Thank you for your service to our Savior and St. Paul's!

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AT PENTECOST:

HE LIVES TO POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT

Fifty days after the Passover, God's Old Testament people celebrated Pentecost (Greek for "fifty"). Pentecost commemorated the gathering of the harvest and was also a remembrance of the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai, the start of the Church of Israel. Christ chose Pentecost to be the birthday of His New Testament Church. By pouring out His Holy Spirit, Christ empowers the Church to gather in the great harvest of souls won by the Son.

Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church, along with the Nativity and the Resurrection. The early church fathers mention the Festival of Pentecost often enough to lead many to believe it was celebrated annually already at the time of the apostles. Pentecost closes the fifty-day period after Easter and ends the festival half of the church year. The Church dresses in red this day to remind us of the tongues of fire that marked the Spirit's gift, as well as the blood of the martyrs which was the seed of the Church.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

May 25 – June 4, 2023

** Summer Schedule for worship has begun **

5/25	Thur.		Last Day of Preschool SPLS	
		6:30 PM	PENTECOST WORSHIP with SPLS Graduation	
			(Junior Choir sings)	
5/26	Fri.		Last Day of School SPLS	
5/27	Sat.	6:30 PM	PENTECOST WORSHIP	
5/28	Sun.	9:00 AM	PENTECOST WORSHIP	
5/29	Mon.		Memorial Day (office will be empty)	
6/1	Thur.	6:30 PM	TRINITY SUNDAY WORSHIP (with communion)	
6/3	Sat.	6:30 PM	TRINITY SUNDAY WORSHIP (with communion)	
6/4	Sun.	9:00 AM	TRINITY SUNDAY WORSHIP (with communion)	
		10:00 AM	Bible Information Class	



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

Memorial Day Ammo Can

The Ammo Can is out in support of the Lutheran Military Support Group of the WELS. Anything you place in the Ammo Can will support their work as they seek to provide financial, psychological, physical, and of course spiritual assistance to our Military Service Members, Veterans, and their Families.

We Remember This Memorial Day Weekend

This weekend can often be lost in leisure. Certainly, a long weekend allows us to rest and relax, even get a few things done as we prepare for the summer to come. These are not bad things but they are also not the immediate focus of the day.

This weekend we find time to thank our God for the men and women who have given everything for us and our cherished liberties. We remember that freedom is never free and sacrifice is so often necessary to ensure the future.

For those who protected us, our nation, and her ideals at the cost of their very lives, there is little we can offer. On this Memorial Day weekend, we offer our sincere thanks to their families and the promise that we will remember them and their sacrifice.



"Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices."

Harry S. Truman

New Summer Worship Series

Last summer we worked through the Ten Commandments in worship throughout the summer. This catechetical review was well received and got much positive feedback. So this Summer we are planning to begin another portion of Luther's Catechism, the Lord's Prayer. As we work through nine parts of the Lord's Prayer (Address, 7 Petitions, & Doxology) we pray the Lord will not only increase our love for this well know prayer but of His work within our hearts and through the world as well. The series will begin the week of June 11th (after Trinity Sunday).

St. Paul's Lutheran Church congratulates our 8th Grade Graduates



McKenna Rose Balson

Graduates Rosendale Intermediate School Will attend Laconia Highschool

Ema Burkholder

Graduates St. Paul's Lutheran School Will attend Winnebago Lutheran Academy

Miles Chambers

Graduates St. Paul's Lutheran School Will attend Winnebago Lutheran Academy

Aubryn Gudex

Graduates St. Paul's Lutheran School Will attend Horace Mann Highschool

Joseph Haines

Graduates St. Paul's Lutheran School Will attend Winnebago Lutheran Academy

Parker Muellenbach

Graduates Bessie Allen Middle School Will attend Winnebago Lutheran Academy

Drew Stettbacher

Graduates Bessie Allen Middle School Will attend Horace Mann Highschool

Adelaide Tonn

Graduates Rosendale Intermediate School Will attend Laconia Highschool

Congratulations to these young men and women as they head off to high school. God's blessings as you continue to grow in wisdom and in stature and most importantly in the grace and knowledge of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We would like to celebrate your graduate!

As the end of May approaches, so do graduations. We would love to celebrate your graduate's big achievement.

- Our 8th graders will be first (info by May 21 for publication May 28).
- Our Highschoolers will follow (info by May 28 for June 4).
- College/Tech/Post-Grad grads will finish things up (info by June 4 for June 11).

Please e-mail your graduate's name (first and last), where they are attending/graduating from, and where they will be going next (school, work, etc.). We will include the information in the bulletin and pray for them in worship on their corresponding weekend.

E-mail Pastor Kampman at pastorkampman@stpaulslutherannfdl.com.

WLA Grade School Theater Production:

WLA Summer Theater Camp is trying something new this summer. The plan is to put together a 45-minute musical entitled "We Are Monsters." Students from several of our area Lutheran elementary schools are joining together with some of our high school students and alumni to rehearse and perform this play on Friday, June 9, at 7:00 PM, and again on Saturday, June 10, at 2:00 PM. Admission is free - please plan to enter

at Door 1 next to the football field for performances.

A Thank You from Mrs. Miller:

Dear Members of St. Paul's,

Thank you for the retirement celebration held last weekend and for the many congratulations I have received over the last few months. It has been an honor and privilege to serve the Lord, and you as teacher of his little lambs. Special thanks to you for the stained glass made by Dave Pechman and the cards and gifts from other friends. May God continue to bless you richly in the coming years.

A Servant of Christ,

Mrs. Miller

Looking to receive our weekly e-mail blast with service information?

It's easy to get you signed up. Let Amy Surian our church secretary know you would like to be on the list at suriana@stpaulslutherannfdl.com.

Want a special prayer?

Let our pastors know if you have an anniversary, special occasion, a birth, or something else which you would like included in our worship prayers and they will gladly include it. Just want them to pray privately, you can let them know that too.

St. Paul's Lutheran School has completed another year

What a blessing that we have successfully completed yet another year. As the 2022-2023 school year comes to a close, it provides a wonderful opportunity for us to thank all of you for your support of the education of our young men and women.

To say that none of this would be possible without the congregation that shoulders this ministry would be an understatement. And what a ministry it is. Each day we have had the opportunity to teach over 70 young people and we don't just offer them Math and English, Science or History, Reading and Spelling, every day we offer the truths of God's Word as we start and end our days in devotion and prayer. Every day we teach them about the one who made the disciplines they learn and which will serve them throughout life. Every day we study the history of Salvation from Genesis through Revelation offering forgiveness for the sin which rages within and without, comfort and lasting joy for this life, and the hope of the eternity that we get to share by grace and through faith in the Savior of us all.

Thanks doesn't even begin to cover our appreciation, for everything you have provided these young people in your generous offerings, the gift of your time and talents as you volunteer, and as you bring our school to our God in prayer.

We look forward to the 2023-2024 school year confident the Lord of the Church will once more offer us blessings upon blessings.

Want to register your child for St. Paul's Lutheran School?

Registration is open for preschool through 8th grade. Reserve your seat today by contacting the office or by visiting stpaulslutherannfdl.com/reg.

Hot Lunch

We are grateful for the years of service given to the school's students by Mr. and Mrs. Don and Beverly Buerger as they've led our hot lunch program. They would like to step down at the end of the school year. That means we're looking for a hot lunch coordinator. Lunches are delivered from the public school so it's really lunch service more than anything else. Think you might be interested? Please speak with Mr. Hartwig.

Fun and fellowship while throwing bags

A few individuals have expressed interest in playing some cornhole here at St. Paul's. Voting closed last week for a day but should you still wish to voice an opinion the sheets are available under the picture of Jesus by the Martin Luther Room. Drop off the sheets in the Pietrzyk's mailbox.



Growing Together By God's Grace

Stewardship Thoughts

As we reported at our April Voter's Meeting, our offerings have not kept pace with the budget approved in January. This has resulted in a \$41,000 shortfall over the year's first quarter. reduction envelopes are available at the information center should you wish to make a special gift to help cover the shortfall.

Christian Stewardship has been defined as the free and joyous activity of the child of God in managing all of life, as well as life's resources, for our good and for God's glory. Christian stewardship is a lifelong process, beginning when we start to accumulate resources (frankly even before) and progressing through the end of our days. The Holy Scriptures speak of stewardship often. The Holy Scriptures presents several principles regarding stewardship.

A good summary passage can be found in 1 Corinthians 16:2, On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

For everyone: each one of you

Amounts may vary (more on that next week) but all are blessed. In response to what Christ has done for us, we will all seek to willingly bring our offerings to the Lord. Consider the Spirit-inspired words of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians in His second letter, "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:6-7).

Salvation is a gift of God's grace. Our stewardship is not an expression of Law and obedience to it but rather a display of our heartfelt appreciation, our gratitude for all God has done for us. This is a difference between Old & New Testament giving. We have the privilege, every one of us, to show our love for God, not out of compulsion but out of thanksgiving. One is reminded of the reprimand Luther is fabled to have received when he once again spoke openly about Salvation by grace through the gift of faith. Someone said, "But Luther, I know these people, they will stop doing good works if they are no longer required for salvation." His response? "No they won't, they will just start doing them for the right reasons."

Clothes for those with Arthritis

We have a special donation of clothes for those with Arthritis. If you are interested, stop one of our pastors and they can show you the items that were given. If no one claims them this week they will find another home.

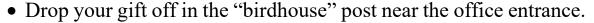
Want to donate a New Tree along the eastern side of the school

This winter we had to say goodbye to the maples along the eastern side of the school building as they were experiencing some signs of sickness and root rot. We would like to replace them with some trees that will perhaps provide ornamental beauty and a little shade. We have looked into non-fruit-bearing pears, crabapples, and lilacs most of which fall into a \$200-\$300 range. If you would be interested in supplying a tree, the arborist suggested four along the eastern side of the school and supplied a list of suggested trees. There is only one tree left to donate! Please talk with Pastor Michael Kampman if you wish to donate the last one.

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.



- 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:

We presented the following gifts to our Lord: Current – \$9,688.03; Missions – \$1,112.50; Improvement – \$135; Mortgage – \$1,623; Initial Offering – \$50; Ascension Envelopes – \$701; Preschool Tuition – \$243; Extended Care – \$282.50; St. Paul's Student Aid – \$25; Organ/Piano – \$100 (Electronic funds in these gifts – \$5,527.41; Weekend offerings totaled \$13,960.18; Weekly target \$18,960). In-Person Worship: 331 (68, 59, & 204 [livestream – Ascension – 74 & Easter 7 - 44]).

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