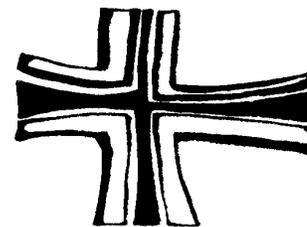


ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	4/7	8:00 AM	Worship w/Communion
		9:15 AM	Sunday School/Bible Class
		9:30 AM	LGSH Worship Service
		10:30 AM	Worship
		5:00 PM	Chorus of Friends Concert
Monday	4/8	7:00 PM	Worship w/Communion
Tuesday	4/9	10:00 AM	Lectionary Readings (Senior Center)
		7:00 PM	1912 Ladies Aid (PO)
Wednesday	4/10	10:00 AM	LGSH Lenten Worship
		NOON	BULLETIN DEADLINE
			Womens Bible Study (PO)
		6:00 PM	Ladies Aid #1 Lent Meal
		7:00 PM	Lenten Worship
Thursday	4/11	7:00 PM	Voters Meeting (Gym)
Friday	4/12	10:00 AM	LGSH Bible Study
Saturday	4/13		
Sunday	4/14	8:00 AM	Worship
		9:15 AM	Sunday School/Bible Class
		9:30 AM	LGSH Worship Service
		10:30 AM	Worship w/Communion



Fifth Sunday In Lent

APRIL 7, 2019

8:00 AM & 10:30AM

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
CONCORDIA, MO

P Pastor **C** Congregation/All

† All may make the sign of the cross to remember their baptism.

Opening Hymn - Lutheran Service Book # 433

“Glory Be to Jesus”

Confession of Sins and Forgiveness

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

We silently reflect upon our personal sin and guilt.

P Do you sincerely confess that you have sinned against God and have deserved His anger and punishment? Then declare so by saying: I do confess.

C I do confess.

P Truly, we should confess; for Holy Scripture declares: “If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us” (1 John 1:8 NIV).

P Do you heartily repent of all your sins committed in thought, word and deed? Then declare so by saying: I do repent.

C I do repent.

P Truly, we should repent as did the penitent sinners of the Bible: King David, who prayed for a contrite heart; Peter, who wept bitterly; the sinful woman; the prodigal son; and others.

P Do you sincerely believe that God, by grace, for Jesus' sake, will forgive you all your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.

C I do believe.

P Truly, we should believe, for Holy Scripture declares: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16 NKJV).

P Do you promise that with the aid of the Holy Spirit you will from this day forward change your sinful life? Then declare so by saying: I do promise.

C I do promise.



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P Truly, we should so promise, for Christ, the Lord, says: “Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16).

P Finally, do you believe that through me, a called servant of God, you will receive the forgiveness of all your sins? Then declare so by saying: I do believe.

C **I do believe.**

P And as you believe and promise, so may it be to you: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

Collect of the Day (*Prayer that “collects” the theme of the day*)

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Almighty God, by Your great goodness mercifully look upon Your people that we may be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Verse of the Month

Psalm 126:3

C **The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.**

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 43:16–21

God’s people are encouraged not to focus on the way God helped ancient Israel in the exodus from Egypt, but to look for a yet more glorious future.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸“Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Bible Class Today - April 7

Adult Bible Study - "Day-by-Day of Holy Week" - No other week in human history has been as important as Holy Week. It is not an overstatement to say this week changed the world. This study will walk step-by-step, day-by-day with Jesus and the other participants in the events of Holy Week to increase our knowledge of and heighten our appreciation for all that took place in this history-changing week. *This class meets in the gym and will be led by Pastor Michael.*

High School Sunday School - will meet in the Youth room and will continue their book study on “Do Hard Things” this week. Hope you can join us.

Sunday School -

Preschool -4th Grade will meet in Ms. Loges's Room and disperse from there at 9:15 each Sunday. Grades 5-8 will meet in their classrooms at 9:15am Sunday. Parents may pick up their children at 10:15am in the following rooms:

Preschool - Ms. Loges

PreK & K - Mrs. Hess

1st & 2nd - Mrs. Martens

3rd & 4th - Mrs. Frerking

5th & 6th - Mrs. Hinck

7th & 8th - Mr. Ebers

Remember in your prayers...

- Healing for Carol Henning, Ora Borgelt, Kathy Paulson, Willie Heath, Diana Storck, Wilbert Freund, Charlie Henke, Cherry Deke, Bradley Meineka, John Carlton, Dr. Wayne Myers, Kelly Meyer, Shirley Kimball, Jeanette Fuehring, Marcus Bodenstab, Amy Gerdt, John Pittman, Gary Bartel.
- The family of Herbert Wood at his death.
- The family of Raymond Stuenkel at his death.
- Thanksgiving for all who volunteer to support and enhance our weekly worship.
- Associate Pastor, Sixth and Seventh Grade Teacher Call Committees.
- Zion Lutheran Church; Hillsboro, MO and Rev. Mark Harriss.
- The people of the Benin.

Saint Paul Lutheran High School will be hosting a Boys basketball grade school camp June 10th through June 14th from 8:30-10 am at Weis Gym on the campus of Saint Paul. The camp is open to boys entering 4th through 8th grade in the fall of 2019. You can pick up a registration form at Saint Paul Lutheran High School’s office or online at splhs.org/events. Any questions email Monte Pitsch at mpitsch@splhs.org.

National Youth Gathering During the Lenten season the SPLC Youth have launched the Envelope Fundraiser. It is customary for some to “give something up” for Lent, but this year the youth would like to issue a challenge to “give something” for Lent for “building up” a young person’s faith. There are envelopes available in the church, church office, and school. We are thankful for the support as we raise money for the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis this July.

Do you enjoy baking? Would you consider baking something to donate to the Youth Easter breakfast? We would welcome and appreciate your donation of cinnamon rolls, breakfast pastries or other baked deliciousness for our breakfast. You can drop them off in the SPES gym on Saturday, April 20th between 9-11am or on Easter morning. Thank you!

St. Paul’s Lutheran School is currently accepting applications for part-time paraprofessionals for our Early Childhood classes. Morning and afternoon positions available. **Per Lutheran School Board policy, applicants must have 60 hrs of college credit OR have passed the Praxis assessment.** Pay based on experience. Please submit your resume to jebonar@stpaulsconcordia.org.

YAP This week, please keep Caitlynn Grass, daughter of Mark & Melissa Grass in your prayers. She is working at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home and she is getting ready to try to for her Certified Med Tech (CMT) and eventually get her RN license. She is also engaged to be married. Caitlyn is a 2018 graduate of SPLHS and she appreciates all prayers. Her address is available in the church office.

Also, please keep Hayden Moore, son of Travis & Erin Moore, who will be graduating from University of Central Missouri in May. He is planning to start at the University of Missouri PT school in June. He is currently working as a lifeguard at the Warrensburg Community Center. Hayden graduated from Concordia High School in 2015.

Both Caitlynn and Hayden would appreciate a note of encouragement. “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Philippians 4:6

The Lafayette County Chorus of Friends will be performing their spring cantata, “The Body of Christ”, written and arranged by Pepper Choplin and directed by Guy D’Aurelio. Performances will be Sunday, April 7, at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Concordia at 5:00pm; Friday, April 12, at Waverly Christian Church at 7:30pm; Saturday, April 13, at Odessa Church of Christ at 5:00pm, and Sunday, April 14, at Wellington Methodist Church at 5:00pm. All are welcome as we celebrate the Easter Season. **The 5:00pm performance on Sunday, April 7, at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church will be livestreamed on the church’s website www.stpaulsconcordia.org.**

Epistle Lesson

Philippians 3:8–14

After sharing his impressive religious credentials, St. Paul says all of that counts for nothing compared to knowing Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He is determined to press on toward the goal of eternal life with Jesus.

⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Lent Verse

Luke 20:17b

P The stone that the builders rejected

C has become the cornerstone.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:9–20

Jesus tells the parable (story) of the wicked tenants to teach how ancient Israel rejected God’s prophets in the past and would even kill God the Father’s (the owner in the story) own Son. Yet, as Jesus explains the story, He foreshadows the hope of resurrection and new life to all who trust Him as Savior.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” ¹⁷But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone?’ ¹⁸“Everyone who falls on that stone will

be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.”
19The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. 20So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn - *Lutheran Service Book # 430*

“My Song Is Love Unknown”

Sermon - “Praying to Remain Faithful to God”

This Week: Read *Isaiah 43:16-21* and *Philippians 3:4b-14*, and pray: Almighty Father, You have chosen us to deliver Your message of grace: “I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?” Yet, caught in the wilderness of our sin, in the desolation of our pride, in the desert of our selfishness, we have failed to proclaim it. Still, You forgive us. Inspire us by this great good news to follow Your will forever, proclaiming Your message to the wilderness of this world. Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Creed - (inside back cover of the hymnal)

Offering and Rite of Fellowship

(Please record your attendance on the friendship register in each pew and pass the register down the pew so all may record their attendance.)

Prayer of the Church

After each petition:

P ... Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

(The 10:30am service will conclude with the Lord’s Prayer, Benediction, and the closing hymn, *Lutheran Service Book # 425* “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”.)

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

Thank You! The Altar Guild and Elders would like to thank Bob Frerking for designing, making, and donating the new stands to hold the brass candle lighters.

Sr. High Youth The Easter Breakfast is almost here! What a wonderful blessing to serve our faith community on this very special day! We will set up for the breakfast on Saturday, April 20th at 9-10:30 am. It should only take 1-2 hours. Also, watch Facebook and Group Me to sign up for your Easter morning shift and to bring food items.

NEW LONGER HOURS FOR THE YOUTH EASTER BREAKFAST WILL CONTINUE THIS YEAR!!

Change can be scary, but it can also be very good, especially when we are given the opportunity to have fellowship together and support our Youth ministry (food doesn’t hurt either!) The Youth will be serving Easter Breakfast in the SPES gym from 7am-10:15am. We would like to invite you to join us for a breakfast of egg and hash brown casseroles, biscuits & gravy, fruit, and a variety of delicious baked goods. The funds will assist the SPLC Youth in attending the National Youth Gathering this summer. We are thankful for the loving and generous support of our church and the body of Christ!

St. Paul’s Early Childhood Enrollment If your child will be entering **PreSchool** (3-year-olds) or **PreKindergarten** (4-year-olds) you are invited and encouraged to enroll your child now for the 2019-2020 school year!!! Please stop by our school office any time M-F 8:00am-4:00pm or call the office with any enrollment questions at 660-463-7654. Printable enrollment forms are also available on our website www.stpaulsconcordia.org. If you have further questions or would like more details about our Early Childhood Program, please contact our Lead Teacher ~ Mrs. Sara Larsen directly at saralarsen@splsconcordia.org.

Dial-A-Devotion, St. Paul’s daily phone devotion ministry at 463-7595, can be called anytime during the day and night. John in his Gospel, chapters 14-16, records conversation Jesus had with his disciples on Maundy Thursday **Devotions April 7-13** will be based on words Jesus spoke in Chapters 14 and 15. Take a few moments each day for a spiritual devotion. Dial 463-7595.

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church and School is seeking a part-time evening custodian. Hours are flexible. Pay based on experience. Apply via email to jebonar@stpaulsconcordia.org

St. Paul’s Summer Program will be held May 28th- August 2nd. Beth Hoppmann and Lori Brunkhorst will be leading the program. There are many activities being planned for the summer. Enrollment forms are available in the school office. We do reserve the right to cancel the Summer Program if there are not enough children enrolled. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Poppe, Beth Hoppmann or Lori Brunkhorst.

April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month! In our prayers each Sunday, we will remember a group of volunteers who use their time and talents to serve God and His church. *To all our many volunteers, THANK YOU for your service as we work together to make a Christ-centered difference in our community and world today and for eternity!*

Easter Decorating If you wish to donate an ester lily or a monetary donation for decorating the church for Easter please pick up a form in the church narthex or church office. Forms and donations must be received by Friday, April 12th.

Lent Midweek Worship: "Unwitting Witnesses." This Week's Theme: "To Christ Our Brother." The people of Nazareth knew Jesus. Maybe they knew Him a little too well. They thought He was just like themselves. They thought they knew where He came from, knew His brothers and His sisters. While they could not comprehend Jesus to be the very Son of God, they unwittingly witness to the reality that, yes, Jesus is one of us, sharing our very humanity. This week's preacher and worship leader will be Rev. Tim Miille from Zion, Blackburn. *Worship Wednesday at 7 pm or join our livestream at stpaulsconcordia.org.*

The Sixth Lenten service at the Good Shepherd Home chapel is Wednesday 10:00 a.m. The theme for the midweek services is "Standing with the Savior." This Wednesday we will be "**Standing with the Savior at His Death.**" The final service in this series is Easter Sunday.

Lenten Meal, April 10 Ladies Aid No. 3 will host the meal at 6 p.m. on April 10. Pulled pork and baked beans from Plowboys BBQ will be served. Dessert will be warm-from-the-oven peach cobbler topped with a scoop of ice cream. Donations will go toward purchasing the Kindergarten Bibles and various mission projects.

Attention Ushers and Elders The key to the church office is missing from church. Please check your pockets to see if you are in possession of this key and return it to the church or office as soon as possible. Thank You

Family Footnotes

In the words of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, "Self-denial means knowing only Christ, and no longer oneself. It means seeing only Christ, who goes ahead of us, and no longer the path that is too difficult for us... Self-denial is saying only: He goes ahead of us; hold fast to him." Galatians 2:20, *"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me."*

~Gina Martens, Family Life Director

- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**
- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising You and singing:

Sanctus – "Holy" *Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*
Tune: SOUTHWELL ("Lord Jesus, Think on Me")

- C** (sung) **O holy Lord of hosts,**
Our loud hosannas cry:
Bring Your almighty pow'r to bear;
Save us, O Lord, we pray.

Words of Our Lord

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Proclamation of Christ *1 Corinthians 11:26*

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Lord's Prayer *Matthew 6:9-13*

- C** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Pax Domini – "The Peace of the Lord" *John 20:19*

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen.**

Agnus Dei – "Lamb of God" *John 1:29*
Tune: SOUTHWELL ("Lord Jesus, Think on Me")

- C** (sung) **O spotless Lamb of God**
Who takes away our sin,
By Your great mercy and Your grace
Wash us without, within.

We believe that in the Lord's Supper our Lord gives to us His true body and blood with the bread and the wine for the forgiveness of our sins. We recognize the charge that St. Paul offers in 1 Corinthians 11:27-28 that those who come to receive the Lord's Supper ought to examine themselves so that they do not eat and drink in an unworthy manner. Therefore, out of concern for those who have not been instructed in the faith or who hold to a different confession, we

