This Week - May 22-28

Monday 2pm After-School Bible Study

6pm Bible Information Class

6:30pm Worship with Communion

7pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday 9:15am MUMS

> 11am & 6pm Bible Class 6:30pm Church Council

7pm Women's Bible Class

6:30pm SPLS Graduation Service at MLC Wednesday

Friday 9:30am Bulletin Assembly Saturday 6pm Contemporary Worship Sunday

8 & 9:30am Worship

9:30am Bible Classes, Time of Discovery 9:30am Sunday School, Teen Bible Study 11am Contemp. Worship w/ Communion

God's Blessings at St. Paul's Last Week

Attendance: 5/13-15: *In-Person:* 794 *Online:* 165

Memorials: Donald Dewanz - \$100 TLC, \$100 School Building

Offerings: General Fund WELS/Missions MVL

(Budg/Actual) \$27,057/\$20,537 \$1,994/\$1,382 \$1,678/\$2,173

Cap. Impr. School Project Other Total: \$150 \$35,042 \$1,672 \$9,127



Support St. Paul's Church & School by giving your offerings in the baskets at the entries or by giving online at splnewulm.org. Click "GIVE" or scan the QR code on your phone.

Worship & Contact Info

Message: Pastor Tim Smith Liturgy: SM Kris Kuschel **Organist: Kate Carlovsky Contemporary: Dave Baur**

Worship Times: Sat. - 6pm; Sun. - 8, 9:30 & 11am; Mon. - 6:30pm Church - 201 N State St School - 126 S Payne

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Our Mission: We make and nurture disciples of Jesus. May 20-22, 2023

Website: splnewulm.org

Welcome to Members and Guests

The service is projected on the front screen or you can follow along in the blue Christian Worship hymnal, found in the pew racks. **Listening devices** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance. A live recording of the sermon is posted on our website. Local cable channels broadcast services on Wednesdays at 10am and 7pm. We welcome parents with small children! There is a nursery room located on the north end of the Parish Center across from the offices, and a **quiet room** for infants located in the back of church. **Restrooms** with changing tables are located near the information desk (hallway) and across from the nursery and kitchen.

Please join us for coffee, treats and fellowship between services. Check out the information desk, located in the hallway beyond the fellowship area, for more info about St. Paul's Church and School as well as opportunities to connect. If you are interested in learning more about the Bible or becoming a member, please contact Pastor Scharf. Bible Classes are at 9:30am. The Library is located across from the offices. Ushers are happy to point you in the right direction.

Prayer Before Worship

Heavenly Father, through the Holy Spirit you have called us by the Gospel to be your dear children. In doing so, you set us apart to bear fruit, to produce good works in service to you and others. Keep us connected to your Word and the Sacraments so that we remain in you and glorify you through these acts of service.

We ask this in our risen Savior's name. Amen.

Next Week's Word of God

Reading: John 16:5-11, 1 Corinthians 12:3-11

Sermon: Acts 2:1-21

Hymn of the Day: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord - 585

Email Devotions: 1 Corinthians 12:14-22

News and Notes

Bible Study on Judges began on Tuesday, May 16. Pastor Smith is using his own translation of the book. Classes are at 11am and 6pm every Tuesday in the Fireside Room. Everyone is welcome.

Online Directory Information – Please add any contact information to the online directory that you would like visible to other members. Go to: members.instantchurchdirectory.com.

Women's Bible Class – Join us for 12 *Seeds for Successful Relationships* on Tuesdays at 7pm in the basement across from the choir room.

Bible Information Class is held on Mondays from 6-7pm. Childcare provided. This class gives an overview of what we teach in our church and school. It can also be a path to membership if so desired. Email Pastor Scharf at nscharf@splnewulm.org with any questions.

Acts Commentaries - Please stop by the church office to purchase a set of Pastor Smith's commentary on the book of Acts.

Camp South is a mini-youth rally in Georgia. Activities include tough mudder, zip line, inflatables, competitions, worship, and Bible study. Those going into 8th-9th grade are welcome to sign up at tinyurl.com/CampSouth. Our group will depart on July 23 and return July 29. Contact Pastor Scharf with any questions.

Connection Cards - We kindly ask all worshipers, including St. Paul's members and guests, to sign our pew Connection Cards. Either leave them at the end of the church pew or drop them in the offering boxes by the doors as you leave the sanctuary.

MVL Building on the Rock - Join us for the Groundbreaking Ceremony scheduled for May 21 at 3pm. Further information can be found on the school website, <u>mvl.org</u>, or by calling Mission Advancement Director, Mr. Jim Buboltz, at (507) 354-6851.

Camp Shetek will be held June 18-23 at Sibley State Park, New London, MN. Please register online at <u>campshetek.org</u>.

Martin Luther College is looking for a number of positions. Apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Study Hall Supervisor Position at Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School is needed for the 2023-24 school year. Interested individuals should contact Principal Tim Plath at tplath@mvlhs.org

Graduation Cards are now available to purchase from the card rack in the hall. A box of 12 for \$9 or individual cards for \$1 each.

Straying Work Continues – What blessings to see so many in worship each week at St. Paul's! But, there are members we haven't seen in many weeks/months. Our Board of Elders and pastors have been personally reaching out to them with phone calls, letters, emails, and personal visits to welcome them back. God is blessing this work, but we need your help! Have you noticed a friend/family member who has been gone from worship? Take a moment this week to pray for them and personally invite them back to worship. Speak with the ministry staff if you need any support.

Paraprofessional Search – We are looking to replace two paraprofessional positions this fall. If you have credentials and the desire to work with our teachers and students, please, consider applying for one of these positions. This is a daily, 7:30am – 3:30pm position following the school calendar with a few exceptions. We are offering these positions on one-year contracts. Pick up an application and job description at St. Paul's Church or School.

Information Desk will be staffed by Communication Coordinator Laura Martens between Sunday services to help answer questions, guide you to sign-ups, and hand out church directories. Stop by!

WELS Military Support Group Offering – Following all St. Paul's services Memorial Day weekend, you're invited to give a free will offering to support our WELS Lutheran Military Support Group. This group exists to provide Christ-centered support to WELS/ELS military service members, veterans, and their families. For more info, visit lutheranmilitary.org/ Thank you military veterans and their families for your service to our church and community.

Volunteers Needed Immediately – St. Paul's works with St. John's to hold a weekly worship service at Oak Hills Living Center every Tuesday at 4pm. 25+ worshipers. Eight to ten more St. Paul's volunteers are needed to work with current volunteers to help residents to the chapel room before & after services from about 3:15-5pm. Talk with Pastor Oelhafen if interested: (262) 442-8568.

Keep in your Prayers...

Marcia White, Faith Wels, & Joleen Grossman were hospitalized. Families of Phil Peterson & Bill Wickline who passed away.