

# News N' Notes



ST. Paul's  
Lutheran Church, School & Daycare

## Lent and the *Red Letter Challenge*

For nearly five hundred years, Lutherans have taught that Lent is a time to reflect on your Baptism and renew yourself through the anticipation of celebrating Jesus' victory over our sin, our death, and our enemy the devil on Easter morning. Lent is a time when we can especially walk closely with our Lord, learning from Him, and growing in faith as we see Him walking His God-given course to the Cross, the Tomb, and finally into our hearts.

During this forty day season of Lent we will walk with our Lord Jesus through a midweek sermon series entitled Red Letter Challenge.

Our worship service schedule during the remainder of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter is:

April 3, (12:15 & 6:30 p.m.) – Red Letter Challenge: *Giving*

April 10, (12:15 & 6:30 p.m.) – Red Letter Challenge: *Going*

April 18, (2 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.) – Maundy Thursday Services

April 19, (2 p.m.) – Good Friday Passion Play

April 19, (6 p.m.) – Tenebrae Good Friday Worship Service

April 20, (6 p.m.) – Easter Vigil

April 21, Easter Sunday Services (6, 8, & 10:30 a.m.) with Easter Breakfast serving from 6:45-8 a.m. and 9-10 a.m.

Please plan on attending our Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter services and please bring a friend!

May God Richly Bless You All!

Pastor Dan Decker

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# Celebrating 25 Years of Service

Mark Anderson, Jill Fenrick, and Janet Jass are each celebrating 25 years of service to our Lord. Praise God for faithful workers! We had a chance to speak to them to find out a little more about their careers and hopes for the future.

**Mark Anderson** has taken care of many maintenance items around our church and school for a very long time. A life-long member (he was baptized here), he says “My career of serving here probably began when I was in fourth grade and I fixed my teacher’s fan which needed repair.” And he hasn’t stopped fixing and tinkering yet. He has worked on installing the projection screen, security system, sound system, automation system, and the conversion of the candle-bras to electric. As a result, “I probably have been to almost every inch of the buildings from the bell tower and school roof, to the organ pipes and the boiler room, and above the projection screen.” In addition to working on the buildings, “I started playing organ for church services when I was in eighth grade and continued until just a few years ago.”

“I enjoyed working with the trustees and as a trustee in the past when we had the church boards. It was good to care for the physical building and meet with others with a vision for improvements and projects for the future.”

His prayer for St. Paul’s is his confirmation verse: Revelation 2:10-”Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.”

**Jill Fenrick** is a teacher in our upper grades. However she wasn’t always a middle school teacher. “I began teaching at St. John’s, Adrian in Michigan. I taught kindergarten in the morning and 5-8 English in the afternoon. In my 2nd year of teaching there was a new 8th grade teacher-Mark Fenrick. We met in January, engaged in June, and married in December. Mark took a call to teach here at St. Paul’s while I taught for a couple of years at St. John’s-Beloit. Fortunately a position opened up here, and I love teaching the Jr. High English, Spelling and Handwriting.”

Her favorite thing about St. Paul’s is the friendship she has made. “They are my second family.”

She says, “I pray that St. Paul’s will continue to grow and spread the word of God each and every day, and be a place where kids know they are cared about and safe.”

**Janet Jass** works as an Upper Grade Teacher’s Aide and is the Hot Lunch Accountant. I volunteered at St. Paul’s School for several years when our daughters were students here. A position was created for an upper grade teacher aide and Denny Vierk asked me if I wanted it! After Lois Cook retired and Christine Elmer left, there was a change in how the school handled its finances and I was asked to take over the hot lunch program’s financial records. Several opportunities have allowed me to help, including the JLIT program and finances, ordering Confirmation and Graduation supplies, and covering the office when secretary is gone. But my favorite task is still helping the teachers with any of the little things that take up their time that could be better spent working with their students.

# Celebrating 25 Years of Service

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I am so thankful for our excellent faculty and support staff, both past and present, that I have been blessed to serve for over 25 years.

In I Corinthians 12 Paul talks about One Body - Many Parts. He explains the unity of the Body while breaking down the diversity of the gifts that God blesses us with to support the Body. I pray that each of us here at St. Paul's continue to discover our gifts and use them to His Glory!"



## School News

March finally gave us some warmer weather, and the students and teachers very much enjoyed being able to go outside without being able to see their breath, at least for a few days.

*School registration has been open for a few months now, so this is a great opportunity to remind everyone you know to register for next year if they haven't done so already.*

Lastly, with Mrs. Wahrle's retirement at the end of this year we will have an opening for a new teacher. The Call Committee has been hard at work interviewing teachers and teacher candidates. After much searching, we have extended a Call to Anne Jesgarz to be the 3rd grade teacher for next year. God willing, she will have accepted the Call by the time this is printed.

Principal  
Rob Lunak

## April Scoopie Night for St. Paul's Youth

On Monday, April 1, 2019 from 4 to 8p St. Paul's Youth will be at the Culver's location on Milton Avenue, Janesville.

All purchases during that time will help our youth fund their many activities, as the Youth will receive a percentage of all sales.

So enjoy a night away from cooking—Dine in or carry out—and support our Youth.



## Youth Serves Lenten Suppers

This year St. Paul's Youth will be preparing and serving two of the Lenten Suppers in April.

On Wednesday, April 3, from 5 to 6p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) our youth will be serving BBQ sandwiches. Proceeds from this supper will benefit St. Paul's Youth Group as a whole.

On Wednesday, April 10, from 5 to 6p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) the Youth attending the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis, Minnesota in July will be our hosts. The planned menu is a Spaghetti dinner. Proceeds from this dinner will go towards the trip to Minnesota.

St. Paul's Youth would like to thank everyone who has been supporting us through our various fundraisers throughout the year. With your help we have been able to share God's love with others by participating in servant events and through the study of His Word.



## Welcome to the Youth Easter Breakfast

St. Paul's Youth invite you to a breakfast on Easter Morning, Sunday, April 21, 2019 in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We have two seating times: 6:45 to 8:00a and 9 to 10a.

Featuring scrambled eggs, French toast casserole, ham and sausage, cheesy hash browns, baked goods, fruit and drinks, we're sure you won't go away hungry!

Advanced tickets are \$6 for adults; \$3 for ages 3 to 10; and under 3 years old eat free. If you purchase your tickets at the door on that day the prices are \$7 for adults; \$3:50 for ages 3 to 10.

Bring your whole family! Reserve a table for parties of 6 or more!

Advance tickets can be purchased after worship services or you can register online at [www.stpaulsjanesville.com](http://www.stpaulsjanesville.com). Look for the registration form under the Youth tab.

Mary



St. Paul's  
Comfort Dog

## Welcome to the Team!

Comfort Dog Mary is excited to announce that she now has two new handlers! Dawn Oas completed her handler training in January and Tyler Morehead completed his training in March. Dawn has been a part of the ministry team since the beginning as a ministry helper, and Tyler, who is a graduate of St. Paul's, just recently joined the team. Tyler is a Veteran, so he is able to take Mary out with her military Kare-9 vest. Praise God for these additions to our team!

Thank you to all who supported the Comfort Dog Lenten supper. Your continued donations and support are an enormous blessing to this ministry. It allows Mary's team to go out into the community and beyond to be the hands and feet of Jesus to those who are suffering and in need.

Please contact Mary by email, through Facebook or by talking to one of her team members, if you know of someone, or someplace that would benefit by a visit from her. Her email address is : [Mary@K9Comfort.org](mailto:Mary@K9Comfort.org).

Find Mary on Facebook at Mary Comfort Dog to stay updated on her comings and goings.

Luke 1:37 "For nothing is impossible with God."

## Adult Fellowship Club Welcomes Orphan Grain Train

On Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6p the Adult Fellowship Club gathers together in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) for a meal. Please join us! Just bring a dish to share.

Then at 7p Dennis & Betty Andersen of Orphan Grain Train will share with us the history of this ministry and some of the many projects that they are working on.

## Altar Guild Changes Meeting Location

On Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 6:30p the Altar Guild will hold our monthly meeting in Room 204 of the School. Please note this is a new meeting location. Everyone is welcome!

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**Regular Worship Schedule:**

Thursdays at 6:30p  
Saturdays at 6p  
Sundays at 8a & 10:30a

## Official Acts

### Baptism:

03-17-19 Grayson James Monk

Parents: James Richard & Alyssa Rae (née Linberts) Monk

Sponsors: Stephanie Hulberg and Mike Monk

### Marriage:

03-09-2019 Daniel Robert Arnold and Danyel Jean Uschan

### Deaths:

03-09-2019 Carol M. Turner

03-11-2019 Donald D. Herr

### With Sympathy

Our prayers are with those in mourning. Please remember Tammy, Danyel and Tyler Uschan on the loss of mother/grandmother Della Stuckey; Laurie Decker and Maureen Zimbor-ski on loss of father/grandfather Jerry Lambert; Denise Skelly and Wes Crosby on loss of mother/sister Carol Turner; Phyllis Onsgard on loss of brother Donald Herr; Jessica Lalor-Slama on loss of cousin Kelly Jones; and Jodie, Ryan, Amelia and Adam Hendrikson on loss of father/grandfather Darrell Brown.



August 5 through 9, 2019