

News N' Notes

Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?

The Time of Easter invites us into the story of Jesus' sacrificial death and glorious resurrection for us. Jesus' resurrection gives proof that our salvation has been completed and that our hope for eternal life is secure. From early in the history of Christianity the Christian church established Easter as the ultimate height of its worship life. Likewise, from early on the Christian church established Lent as a period of preparation for the Easter celebration. The forty days of Lent were associated with Jesus' forty days in the desert prior to His temptation and with the forty years the children of Israel spent in the wilderness. Lent is special time to reflect on *Who* our Savior is and *What* He underwent for our eternal life.

This year our midweek Lenten sermons will be based on a book written by LCMS Pastor, Rev. Dr. Matthew Richard, entitled Will The Real Jesus Please Stand Up? Dr. Richard writes of his book: *Our culture today is used to choices—and lots of them. Our culture allows the sinful heart to go the way of idolatry. Therefore, our culture rejects a really important objective truth (that is, a rejection of the Holy Scripture's testimony about Jesus). Our culture believes that truth varies from person to person. All of this is what allows for such a great diversity of false Christ's in North America. Choice, idolatry, a rejection of truth: that is the landscape that we find ourselves in, and this is the landscape through which this book attempts to maneuver.*

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ST. Paul's
Lutheran Church, School & Daycare

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Year to Date
July 1 thru Jan. 31, 2020

Budget.....	\$639,583.00
Actual	\$575,595.00
Surplus (Deficit)(\$63,988.00)

Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?

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Our midweek Lenten services and sermons will be based on selected chapters of Will The Real Jesus Please Stand Up? The schedule is below:

March 4	<i>The Mascot</i>
March 11	<i>The Giver of Bling</i>
March 18	<i>The Social Justice Warrior</i>
March 24	<i>The Mystical Friend</i>
April 1	<i>The Teddy Bear</i>

As always, our midweek Lenten services will be held on Wednesdays at 12:15p or 6:30p. A Lenten supper will precede the 6:30p service at 5p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Please join us and bring a friend. God's blessings!

Jude 24-25!

Pastor Decker

Holy Week Worship Services:

Palm Sunday,	April 5, 2020	8 & 10:30a
Maundy Thursday,	April 9, 2020	2p & 6:30p
Good Friday,	April 10, 2020	2p—Youth Passion Play
		<i>The Passion Play may not be suitable for young children.</i>
		6:30p—Tenebrae Service
Easter Vigil Saturday	April 11, 2020	6p
Easter Sunday	April 12, 2020	6a-with Holy Communion
	Easter Breakfast	6:45 to 8a
		8a-with Holy Communion
	Easter Breakfast	9 to 10a
		10:30a-with Holy Communion



Mary



St. Paul's
Comfort Dog

Two Years—Over 600 Visits

Two years ago, on March 1, nine members of St. Paul's Comfort Dog team traveled to Lutheran Church Charities headquarters to FINALLY meet the dog that would become a part of our team. It had been almost two years since our church had started the process of acquiring a Comfort Dog. That day, the team with great anticipation, excitement, and even a few tears, were introduced to our wonderful Comfort Dog, Mary.

Over these past two years visits have been made to schools, churches, nursing homes, the jail, assisted living facilities, libraries, memory care facilities, funerals, visitations, Agrace, 911 call center, hospitals, camps, "22" events, Honor Flights, Fantasy Flights, colleges, and emergency deployments - just to name a few! Over 660 visits have been made, creating countless opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, presence, and proclamation of Jesus! Praise God!

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.

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

"For nothing is impossible with God."

Luke 1:37

Adult Fellowship Club

The Adult Fellowship Club invites you to join them at their next meeting, Tuesday, March 3, 2020.

We'll meet at 6p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) for a meal. Please bring a dish to share.

At 6:45p Linda Servais will share with us information from her trip to the Panama Canal.

We hope you will join us for an informative evening.



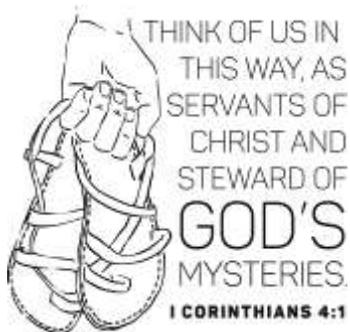
Gala of Giving

This year's Gala of Giving is May 9, 2020.

Please prayerfully consider supporting the event with a table sponsorship and/or attendance.

Registration forms are available in the school office, the back of the church, online, or in this edition of *News N Notes*.

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Lindau at 290-1560.



Host Families Needed

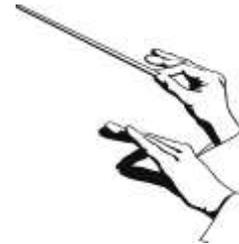
The Martin Luther High School Symphonic Band will be performing for St. Paul's on Tuesday, March 31 at 7p in the school gym.

This year the Symphonic Band has 37 members. Each year they plan a five or eight-day tour, bringing their sacred and secular band music to different cities and Lutheran churches.

We need families to host the high school students for one night before they continue on their tour. If you are willing to host a couple of students, please fill out the form found at the back of church or online on the parish music page of the church website.

Students would go home with the host families at 8:30p Tuesday night after the concert and then would need to be returned to St. Paul's at 6:30a Wednesday.

Host families will also need to provide a simple breakfast (cereal and toast are fine). Please talk to Ann Henny (ahenny@stpaulsjanesville.com or 754-4471 ext. 410) if



Lutheran Women in Mission— Serving Others

Lenten Supper:

St Paul's Women in Mission (LWML) will be hosting the Lenten supper from 5-6pm on Wed., March 18th to include soup and sandwiches with dessert. We hope you will join us for a meal before we gather together to remember the great sacrifice our Lord and Savior endured for us.

Work Day:

St Paul's Women in Mission will be hosting a work day on Thursday, March 26th in the church basement to work on a variety of mission related sewing projects. Please join us to see the joy that service can bring.

There are many tasks that need to be done, so please come help even if you do not sew.

You can stay all day, an hour, or just pop in to see what it's all about. Coffee and fellowship provided, but please bring your own lunch.

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Regular Worship Schedule:

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

Official Acts

Baptisms:

January 26, 2020

Mason Scott Drevdahl

Parents: Dillon & Veronica (néé Rumery) Drevdahl

Sponsors: Jillian & Jay Olson

January 26, 2020

Presley Kay Drevdahl

Parents: Dillon & Veronica (néé Rumery) Drevdahl

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Please remember John Mueller and family on the loss of his grandmother, Shirley Rosburg.

