

News N' Notes



ST. Paul's
Lutheran Church, School & Daycare

St. Paul's Plans for a New School Year

St. Paul's Lutheran School will open the school year on September 1, 2020, by giving parents the option of all in person learning or all learning online.

Teachers are preparing lesson plans and look forward to seeing many students in person. The classes will be videotaped and available for those studying online the next day.

Plans are underway to provide a safe space for students to return to their classrooms. There will be temperature checks for staff and students at the beginning of each school day. We will follow the state's mask mandate—staff and students will wear masks while in the building. There will be frequent sanitizing and hand washing. Anyone exhibiting symptoms (fever, dry cough, fatigue, body aches, etc.) will be sent home. Staff who feel ill will be encouraged to stay home.

Students will have lunch in their classrooms and recess time will be staggered. Social distancing will be encouraged.

While things may look a little different this school year, we know with everyone's support and cooperation that we can make the upcoming school year meaningful for everyone.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you a hope and a future.
Jeremiah 29:11

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Join Us for Worship



St. Paul's continues to gather together to listen to God's Word and partake of the Lord's Supper. We are now offering Holy Communion at all of our worship services.

- Thursdays, in the sanctuary (church building) at 6:30p
- Saturdays, in the sanctuary (church building) at 6p
- Sunday mornings, in the sanctuary (church building) at 8a
- Sunday mornings, in the PARKING LOT at 9a - Tune to 89.1 FM. This service will also be live-streamed via Facebook Live and our website-www.stpaulsjanesville.com

Those attending the services in the sanctuary (church building) will discover that we have added elements of our Lutheran liturgy to the traditional services, liturgy elements to our contemporary services, and singing in all services.

All those worshipping in the sanctuary are respectfully requested to wear masks and will be expected to practice social distancing.

We ask that you make your offerings either through online giving or by mail. If you wish, you can also stop by the office during office hours, buzz in, and give your donation to the person who comes to the door.

Tuesday Morning In Person Bible Study & Zoom Bible Study Begins September 15

Pastor Decker invites you to join us, in person, for the Tuesday Morning Bible Study beginning on September 15, 2020 at 9:30a IN THE CHURCH SANCTUARY (church proper). Per state mandate, masks are required in the building and social distancing will be observed.

Our Pastors, with help from Ed & Lois James, are preparing to Zoom the Tuesday morning Bible Study. You will need to already have a computer with camera and broadband (fast) internet.

Anyone who needs help getting the Zoom meeting set up should call Ed & Lois James at home: 608-756-0854 or cell: 608-322-3486 or email: elj1519@hotmail.com. They have agreed to make house calls if needed.

We will have a Zoom test on Tuesday, September 8 from 9:30 to 10a. Contact Ed & Lois James for the link, meeting number and passcode.

Pastor Decker will provide the link, meeting number and passcode for the actual Bible study on September 15, 2020.

This study is open to anyone—members and non-members alike, so please invite your friends and family.

If you are interested in joining this Bible Study, please contact Ed & Lois James to sign up.



Mary Comfort Dog helping with the bike give-a-way

Back to School Blessings

On Saturday, August 15th, *Christ's Love in Action*, St. Paul's Community Outreach Team, joined with other Janesville organizations at a Fourth Ward Park event entitled "Back to School Blessings with Bikes and Backpacks".

175 bicycles, 100 bike helmets, 100 bike locks, 100 boxes of food and 100 backpacks filled with school supplies were distributed!

Many congregation members donated items, helped fill backpacks and help distribute items at the event. Mary Comfort Dog was a big help at the event and made the families feel loved! In addition, prayer requests were collected and prayed at our church services. This is the fourth event the Outreach Team has participated in since March. We are in the process of planning additional events for fall and winter to continue to share Christ's love in our community! Please contact Pastor Josh Grotelueschen (608-754-4471 ext. 414) if you have questions or would like to donate to or help at a future event.

Ways to Support St. Paul's

MAIL

your donation to:
St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church,
210 S Ringold St,
Janesville WI 53545

ONLINE

stpaulsjanesville.com
Locate the DONATE button.

GIVE + MOBILE

For our smartphone users, go to the App Store or Google Play and download the "GivePlus Church" app.

GIVE + TEXT

Send a text message to 1-833-261-9960 with the amount you would like to contribute (example: 25). Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register.

Sunday School's Going Virtual!



We're planning a Virtual Sunday School to start off the new school year beginning on September 13, 2020.

If you or someone you know would be interested in joining us, please contact Kathy Pingel at *kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com* for more information and to register.

Fall Women's Bible Studies

All women of the congregation are invited to join us for some uplifting Bible studies.

"Finding I Am" is a 6 Session Study from best-selling author Lysa TerKeurst.

See How Jesus Fully Satisfies The Cry Of Your Heart.

We will be meeting in-person on Wednesdays at 9a (first class is Sept.9) and Thursdays at 6:30p (first class is Sept. 10). This class will also be offered via Zoom on Thursdays at 9a (first class is Sept. 10)

You will need to order your own workbook. Contact kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com to sign up.

"Divine Design" by Sharla Frtiz is a bible study geared toward women, intended to help them realize how the Holy Sprit can help change them and make them new.

We will meet via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6:30p. Our first class is Sept. 9, 2020.

You will need to order your own workbook. Contact kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com



Join us for FAMILY NIGHTS

Songs, Games, Bible Stories, Skits

Fun for the Whole Family!

September 13 and 27, 2020 at 4p

St. Paul's Parking Lot

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Worship Schedule:

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

Official Acts

Baptisms:

07-21-2020

Aliyah Shea Olson

Parents: Anthony Olson and Abby Barker

Sponsor: Kelly Pfaff

08-15-2020

Boone Harvey Arnold

Parents: Daniel & Danyel (nee Uschan) Arnold

Sponsors: Steve & Alyssa Arnold

08-15-2020

Scout May Arnold

Parents: Daniel & Danyel (nee Uschan) Arnold

Sponsors: Tyler Uschan and Angela Stuckey

Membership Changes:

Transfer from LCMS:

- ◆ Marc LeStarge transferred from Faith Lutheran, Watertown WI [07-20-2020]
- ◆ Lark & Terry Sanders transferred from Immanuel Lutheran, East Dundee IL [08-03-2020]

Adult Confirmation on 08-03-2020

- ◆ Abby Allan (baptized Evelyn and Danielle)

Youth Confirmation

- ◆ Mya Nicholson on 02-27-2020

Released to Other Lutheran:

- ◆ Matt & Michelle Taylor (Ella, Alina, Emilia, and Annaliesa) released to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Lake Mills WI (WELS) [07-20-2020]

With Sympathy:

Our prayers are with everyone who is mourning the loss of someone special. We remember: Angie Stephens on loss of mother Christina Vogel; Linda Jelinek and Ashley Ausen on the loss of father-in-law and grandfather Arthur Jelinek; Nanci Zigler on the loss of her brother-in-law David Zigler; Mike Murdy on loss of father Dwight Murdy; Sandra Schenck on loss of mother-in-law Shirley Schenck; Judi Ziegelmann on loss of husband Lee Ziegelmann.



Please Pray For . . .

Pray for those who are affected by this pandemic. Pray for doctors, nurses, and medical personnel who are at risk. Pray for those whose jobs are being reduced or eliminated. Pray for the quick diminishing of COVID-19.

Also, please keep St. Paul's Church, School and Day Care in your prayers. Pray for the students. Pray for the teachers. Pray for many of our hourly workers who will not be working during this time. Pray that the financial support of our ministries will not lag, requiring an interruption of paychecks for staff and faculty.

Pray that we can all work together to come back to a St. Paul's that can be stronger than the one we left.

God's blessings!



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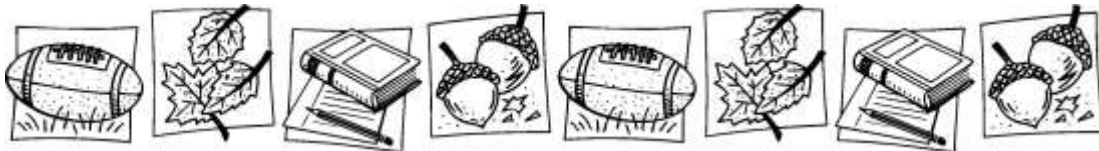


Trail Life USA

We are pleased that Trail Life USA will be starting as a new ministry with St. Paul's.

Trail Life is a Christian scouting organization for young men and boys ages 5 to 18. If you are interested in learning more and coming to see some of the things that the Trailmen do, then please join us on Sept 12th in the church parking lot from 10a-12p for our *Join the Trail* event. We would love to see you and your child and have them experience some of the great activities that help develop Character, Leadership, and Adventure.

You can find out more about Trail Life USA at www.trailifeusa.com and also visit our Facebook page at "Trail Life Troop 1885 - Janesville, WI"



WALK BY
Faith,
NOT BY
sight.

St. Paul's 11th annual Walk by Faith will be held virtually this year!

We will have a parking lot church service on Sunday, September 27, 2020 at 9a followed by a walk in your neighborhood with your family.

Registration is now available online on the St. Paul's website:
www.stpaulsjanesville.com

Even though the event will be different than previous years, we hope you will join us in celebrating our Faith together during these unprecedented times! God's blessings to you!