

Our Stewardship For: Feb. 26, 29 & March 1, 2020

Church and Communion Attendance:

KQ Sunday School:

	Church	Comm.
Ash Wed.		
12:15p	65	57
6:30p	184	152
Saturday---	600+	310
8:00---	109	75
10:30-	192	
Monthly Afternoon Comm.	??	

Our Gifts to God:	MARCH 1, 2020	\$19,752.30
	MARCH To Date Giving	\$19,752.30
	MARCH Monthly Budget Needs	\$138,493.00

*Please Note: ALL above figures include only Unified Giving, Loose Cash, General Fund Giving and Special Envelopes (i.e.-Lent; Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc.). The above figure includes donations given through the *Simply Giving* automatic, electronic fund transfer system. These figures do not include any tuition amounts or monies designated for special purposes (i.e.-missions, alms, school, school library, school music programs, hymnals, endowment fund; capital improvement, etc.)*

Thank you for your loose coins! All loose coins given in the offering (pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half-dollars and even dollar coins) are used for various mission projects. Thank you.

Opportunities for Special Gifts/Memorials—Thank you!

Tom & Sharon Roth gave a gift for our Youth in honor of Jean Reipl's birthday;

In memory of Shirley Rosburg (grandmother of John Mueller): *For Capital Improvement: Bob & Arlene Knudson; For Youth: Roger & Diane Krause; Tom & Sharon Roth;*



OPPORTUNITIES

For the Week of March 8, 2020



For the Family of God at St Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Day Care
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St. Paul's Church Council 2019-20

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Children's Activity Bags Available to borrow during the service: We have bags of items that you can use to keep your little one quiet during the worship service (a stuffed animal, coloring pages and crayons; a "seek and find" toy, etc.). They are located in the back of church on a stand. Please return all items to the bags when you are done and return the bags to the holders. It's important to return all items so that other parents can use them as well.

Check Out Our Website:
www.stpaulsjanesville.com

Our Church Calendar for the week of March 8, 2020

Sunday: Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-10:30a; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth-6p.

Monday: Church Council-6:30p.

Tuesday: Bible Study-9:30a; 4H-6:30p;

Wednesday: Chapel-8:15a; Women's Bible Study-9a; Lenten Worship-12:15p; Lenten Supper-5 to 6p; Lenten Worship-6:30p.

Thursday: Breakfast Bible Study-6:30a; Women's Bible Study-6:30p; NO Evening Worship.

Saturday: JOY Women's Event-8:30a; Contemporary Wor.-6p.

Next Sunday: Comm. Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Wor.-10:30a; Public School Confirmation-2p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth-6p.

Sympathy: Our Lord called Marion Ludwig to her eternal home on Sunday, March 1, 2020. Services are planned for Saturday, March 7, 2020. Please remember her family in your prayers. We also pray for Nicole Steinke and family on the loss of her grandfather Robert Buehl. May our loving Lord comfort all who mourn.

Altar Flowers: During the season of Lent, flowers are not placed on the altar. Instead we place the Crucifix that stood on the altar of the old church building on Academy Street on our altar here, to remind us of the suffering our Lord did for us.

Worship Folders: If you'd like to sponsor the worship folders, simply call Stacey in the Church Office (754-4471) to reserve your date. The cost is \$50.00. Available dates are: March 15, 22, 29; April 5, 19, 26; May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. Thank you.

Hospitalized: *Please remember, if you want a pastor to visit you when you are hospitalized, you or a family member or friend will have to notify the pastors or the church office directly at 754-4471 ext. 200 and let them know which hospital you are in. Thank you.* At Mercy-Rob McGowan; Ron Albrecht, Marjorie Burlingame; Steve Oldfield. At Madison-Karla Hendrikson. Please remember them in your prayer along with Don Stoker and Terry Pope who have been released.

2020 Offering Envelopes are Available from the Church Office. Please call Stacey at 608-754-4471 to arrange to pick them up.

We will have special Lenten worship services at 12:15p and 6:30p through April 1. Our midweek Lenten services and sermons will be based on selected chapters of Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up? On March 11 the focus is *The Giver of Bling*.

Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

Parents in Prayer is open to all—parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, anyone willing to support and pray for the needs of children, church, school and community. We meet each Thursday at 8:15a in the Women & Family Ministry Room at School.

Opportunities to Be in God's Word: Weekly Bible Studies

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A *ROUTE 66: THE LIFE OF CHRIST THROUGH THE GOSPELS*
 FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR MORE INFORMATION: PASTOR JOSH GROTELUESCHEN (754-4471 EXT. 414)

SUNDAYS AT 9:30A *ADULT BIBLE STUDY*
 WOMEN/FAMILY MINISTRY RM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

MONDAYS AT 9:00A *WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY*
 PANERA BREAD, JNSVL FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30A *ADULT BIBLE STUDY*
 FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH PASTOR DAN DECKER

WEDNESDAYS AT 9A *WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY*
 WOMEN/FAMILY MINISTRY RM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

THURSDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30A
 FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH BARRY & RUTH WIER (608-752-9330)

THURSDAYS AT 6:30P *WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY*
 WOMEN/FAMILY MINISTRY RM FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

Mites Support Missions with Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)! St. Paul's Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) will be using their mites to support mission grants. Our next project is *Lutheran Heritage Foundation*. You can help by praying for this mission and setting aside your spare change to donate as mites. Bring your mites with you to church and place them in the large Mite Box that you'll find in the narthex (back of church).

Call to be extended for a Full Time Day Care Director: We will be extending a call for a full time day care director. Applicants must have a Bachelor's Degree and relevant experience, and be willing to pursue a colloquy if not synodically trained. If you know of a candidate, or have any questions, please contact Rob Lunak (rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com or 608-754-4471 ext. 302).

New Head Cook Needed for St. Paul's School: Meema is retiring at the end of this year. She is such a blessing to our school and the hot lunch program. We will miss her dearly. We have begun to search for a new head cook for next year. Please pass this along to anyone you know that might be interested, or would be a great fit for this position.

Week 3 “Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?” Bible Study: Chapter 5—“The Giver of Bling”. This is the idea that Jesus will bless us abundantly in this life if we have enough faith and pray hard enough.

NO THURSDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICES DURING LENT. This is a reminder that the Thursday evening worship services will be suspended during Lent.

Join Us for A Lenten Supper! St. Paul’s Organizations would also like to invite you to join us for a Lenten Supper prior to each evening’s worship service. The meal is served in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) from 5-6p. There is no cost for the meal. Instead a free-will offering is taken. Your donations help provide funds for a variety of projects by our groups. On March 11 the Comfort Dog Team will serve brats and hot dogs with all the fixins!

Lent in a Bag, hands on family devotions are now available!! Get ready to focus on Jesus throughout the Lenten season with your family. The Lent in a Bag includes items needed to do once a week family devotions during the season of Lent and includes daily Bible verse readings as you walk with Jesus on His journey to the cross. We have enough for 50 families to receive these devotions. If you’d like one for your family, see Kathy Pingel or contact her at kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Ladies’ Aid Prepares for their Spring Bake Sale! Mark your calendar for April 4 & 5, and plan to do some shopping for your Palm Sunday Dinner at the Ladies’ Aid bake sale in Fellowship Hall. Goodies will be available following the worship services.

Attention Bakers: Would you be willing to donate your favorite treats to our bake sale? We’re seeking donations of baked goods of all kinds: coffee cakes, donuts, breads, muffins, cupcakes, cookies, pies, bars, etc. Please bring your donations to Fellowship Hall between 4 & 6p on Saturday, April 4. Thank you!

The Church Council meets on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is March 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of School. All members of the congregation are welcome to attend Church Council meetings. Minutes of the approved Church Council meetings are also available for review from the Church Office or a copy will be mailed to you upon request.

2019-20 Council Members are:; Jeff Elser, 608-752-5120; Tom Neumann, 608-751-4504, Laura Manke, 608-563-1142; Rhonda Schulze, 920-946-7417, Barb Frank; Jason Harvey, 608-322-9443; Jack Eden- 608-751-5999; Jennifer O’Connell, 608-359-3544; Angie Stephens, 608-921-0808.

LWML Card Ministry is Ending---All Cards are now just \$3 a box!

Lit N Lattes Returns March 10 at 6:30p in the Women & Family Ministry Room. Ladies read When You Are Near by Tracie Peterson and then get ready to discuss.

New Microphones: St. Paul's needs to purchase new microphones for the pastors and worship leaders to use. Some of the ones we currently use will no longer work once we reach July of 2020. Please consider making a donation towards new microphones. Place your gift in the offering plate (make sure your mark the envelope: “Microphones”) If you have any questions, please contact Ann Henny: ahenny@stpaulsjanesville.com.

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, or online at www.stpaulsjanesville.com. 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 Gym. 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 you have any questions.

Pastor G Faith in Action Class: Are you struggling with reconciling faith with everyday life? Are you interested in becoming a new member? Join us for four sessions (one per month) and get your questions answered. This class is open to everyone. Those interested in joining the congregation, upon completion of all four classes, will have the option of becoming communicant members of St. Paul’s. The next class will be held on Saturday, March 21, (session 3) from 8a until noon in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). If you’re interested in attending the classes or have any questions, please contact Pastor Grotelueschen (jgrotelueschen@stpaulsjanesville.com or 608-754-4471).

Shepherd’s Heart Daycare Is Looking for Teachers: We are looking for morning help in the toddler room. And school families---there is a tuition discount when you are an employee of the congregation. If interested, please contact Mpeterson@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Volunteer Opportunities: *We are looking for additional volunteers, junior high age on up, to run the screen at the contemporary services.* No experience needed. Training is provided. Good opportunity for school parents to log volunteer hours. A weekly commitment is not required. Even one service per month would be helpful! Please contact Ann Henny (ahenny@stpaulsjanesville.com or 608-754-4471 ext. 410) or Angie Stephens at 608-921-0808 for more information or to volunteer.

St. Paul's Parent-Teacher League (PTL) Offers Scholarship: The St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church and School PTL Scholarship is an annual award of \$500 given to a member of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church and graduate of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran School who will be a graduating senior from high school and attending post high school education at a two or four year institution. The recipient is chosen by a committee made up of the St. Paul's PTL, Principal, and teachers selected by the PTL, using several criteria to evaluate applicants, including: Service to St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church and School including Church attendance; Scholarship/Academic Achievement; High School Involvement; Other community and outside involvement.

As a basis for evaluation, we ask that each applicant complete the following: Questionnaire found on website at <http://www.stpaulsjanesville.com/school/parent-teacher-league/ptl-scholarship>; High school report card; and a Letter of application (250 word minimum, no less than 10 point font) answering the following statement: "How my St. Paul's school experience has influenced my life decisions."

Deadline for completion of this application will be: **April 1st, 2020**. Please scan and email these items to: triciaguse@hotmail.com Winner to be announced at Spring Awards Banquet in May. Please note: this award will be announced in May but proof of first completed semester of college is required to receive monetary portion.

Calling All Thrivent Members! If you're a Thrivent Financial member, you can lead a *Thrivent Action Team*, to bring people together for a one-time project to help others in the community. Thrivent will provide \$250 per project in seed money. We are currently looking for Thrivent members willing to partner with our mission teams to sponsor upcoming projects. If you would be willing to help, please contact Stacey in the Church Office (608-754-4471 ext, 350 or smarenda@StPaulsJanesville.com). Thank you.

Sunday Morning Youth Bible Study is from 9:15 to 10:15a in the Youth Room and is open to all High Schoolers. This is a time to read God's Word, have fun fellowship with other High Schoolers, and to eat some doughnuts! Hope to see you there.

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A to 10:15A—SUNDAY SCHOOL. Our Sunday School classes are open to all children ages two years through 8th grade. (Two year old students must have a parent with them). Students should assemble in their classrooms. Parents can join us for the opening and then attend Bible Study in the Women & Family Ministry Room of the school.

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A: Jr. High Grapple for 7th & 8th Grade Students! Come grapple with the real questions you're asking – join us for Grapple each Sunday from 9:15a-10:15a in the conference room. It's NOT Sunday school – it's so much more. You don't want to miss the fun! Contact Josh Blake (608-368-8052) for more info.

YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

Our Youth Group is Open to ALL students in 6th to 12th grades. Friends are welcome, too!

Sun., March 8 from 4 to 5:30p: Youth/Bible Study. We'll begin in the church sanctuary. ALL youth (6th through 12th grades) are invited to join in our Bible Study and activities.

Senior High Youth Group: All youth in grades 9 to 12, are invited to stay a little later (from 6 to 7p) in the gym.

Sun., March 15 from 4 to 5:30p: Youth/Bible Study. We'll begin in the church sanctuary. ALL youth (6th through 12th grades) are invited to join in our Bible Study and activities.

Senior High Youth Group: All youth in grades 9 to 12, are invited to stay a little later (from 6 to 7p) in the gym.

Snack Food Needed: Youth Group is now seeking snack food donations for Sunday night meetings. Donations of chips, cookies, pretzels, juices, etc. would be greatly appreciated! Bring them to the Youth Room (basement of school) or place on the ledge in Fellowship Hall (where the stage used to be)—be sure to mark your donation "Youth Group". Thank you!

ECHO News:

www.echojanesville.org

- *ECHO Needs:* Pork N Beans; Peanut Butter & Jelly; Soups and Crackers; Mac N Cheese; Spaghetti noodles and sauce; Spaghetti O's; canned meats; deodorant; toothbrushes and toothpaste; dry laundry soap; toilet paper; diapers (sizes 4 to 6) and shampoo. Any non-perishable item is appreciated. Bring your gifts with you to worship and place them in the barrels marked "ECHO" that you find in the back of church (the Narthex) or in Fellowship Hall (the church basement).

Opportunities to Support St. Paul's Church & School:

By Enrolling in *Simply Giving!* Through *Simply Giving* your gifts are made through a pre-authorized withdrawal from your bank account. You determine the amount and frequency of your automatic gift. Because your gift is given consistently, you won't need to play "catch-up" at year-end or worry about forgotten checkbooks or missed Sunday offerings. Contact the church office for an enrollment form.

By Purchasing and Using SCRIP for all of your shopping needs! SCRIP certificates and cards give 3 times . . . full value to you (or the recipient of your choice) PLUS a rebate of 2%-25% of that amount to our school! And we'll give back part of the rebate to you to reduce your tuition, to help St. Paul's Budget or to add to St. Paul's School Scholarship Fund! The choice is yours! You can purchase SCRIP following the weekend worship services or from the school office during regular business hours.