

Our Stewardship For: March 4, 7 & 8, 2020

Church and Communion Attendance:

	Church	Comm.
Lent		
12:15p	35	
6:30p	128	
Saturday---	123	103
8:00---	94	
10:30-	102	76

KQ Sunday School:

2-2	Attd: 16	Offering: \$4.66
2-9	Attd: 9	Offering: \$4.71
2-16	Attd: 14	Offering: \$9.37
2-23	Attd: 16	Offering: \$4.71
Total Offering Winter Term: \$48.62		

Our Gifts to God:

MARCH 1, 2020	\$19,752.30
MARCH 8, 2020	\$18,511.60
MARCH To Date Giving	\$38,263.90
MARCH Monthly Budget Needs	\$138,483.00

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!

Mark & Stephanie Boeche gave a gift to Unified in memory of Shirley Rosburg (John Mueller's grandmother) and Jeff Hassinger.

In memory of Shirley Rosburg (grandmother of John Mueller): *For Youth Donuts:* Scott & Kristen Gestrich; *For the Youth Group:* Gregg & Ellen Davis;

In memory of Marion Ludwig: *For Comfort Dog Ministry:* Birgitt Hill; Eric Hill; Joseph & Autumn Morehead; *For Unified:* Geraldine Kerl; Ken & Rosalie Kerl; Susan & Michael Brown; Phil & Candy Kerl; Holly & Terry Coyle; Ed & Judy Vopelak; Paul & Martha Clayton; Gary & Judy Neumueller; Marv & Deb Bouton; Joel & Joyce Hanson; and Joan Alwin and Family; Charlene McKittrick; .



OPPORTUNITIES
For the Week of March 15, 2020
For the Family of God at St Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, School and Day Care
 210 South Ringold Street Janesville WI 53545-5199; (608) 754-4471
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www.stpaulsjanesville.com

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:
 We will NOT offer the common cup at communion
 We will not "Share the Peace"

Our Church Calendar for the week of March 15, 2020

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.

Tuesday: Bible Study-9:30a; LWML-6:30p;

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

Thursday: Breakfast Bible Study-6:30a; Women's Bible Study-6:30p; NO Evening Worship; Narthex (back of church) Painting-6p.

Saturday: Faith in Action Session 3-8a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-6p.

Next 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.

Baptism: At a private ceremony on March 14, Huntleigh Rae Velasquez, child of Johnny Boschna and Avelina Velasquez, was baptized into the Lord's Kingdom. Please remember this family in your prayers.

Sympathy: Our Lord called Jeff Hassinger to his eternal home on March 10, 2020. Services are being planned. Please remember his family in your prayers, especially his wife Nancy and children Brooke Staus, Kyle Hassinger, Heidi Bakke, and Corey Hassinger.

Our prayers are with Mary Toberman on the recent loss of her brother David Elmer. 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 22, 29; April 5, 19, 26; May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. Thank you.

Birthday Greetings: On March 23 Marjorie Burlingame celebrates her 90th birthday. Cards may be sent to 1720 E Memorial Dr, # 110, Janesville WI 53545. A very Happy Birthday to you, Marjorie!

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-Ron Albrecht, Marjorie Burlingame, Rob McGowan; At Madison-Karla Hendrikson. Please remember them in your prayers along with Trish Plante and Steve Oldfield who have been released. We rejoice with Dan & Danyel Arnold at the birth of twins, Boone and Scout.

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.

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 18 the focus is *The Social Justice Warrior*.

Week 4 “Will the Real Jesus Please Stand Up?” Bible Study: Chapter 7—“The Social Justice Warrior.” This is the idea that Jesus came to save the oppressed from their oppressors.

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 18 LWML offers potato soup and vegetable beef soup.

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!

Come One! Come All! Help Us Paint! On Thursday, March 19 starting at 6p we will be painting the Narthex (back of church). Much help is needed. All supplies will be provided, along with dinner! Unable to help paint? Monetary donations are welcome to cover the cost of supplies. Any questions? See John Mueller or Pastor Josh Groteleuschen.

Join St. Paul’s Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) for a Work Day on Thursday, March 26, from 9a to 3p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). We will be working on a variety of mission related sewing projects, but knowledge of sewing is not needed! There are many tasks that need to be done---we’ll show you what to do. Come for an hour or stay all day. Coffee and fellowship provided, but please bring your own lunch.

Thank You from Vi Schulze: “I got so many beautiful cards from friends at St. Paul on my 94th birthday. Wish I could be there to thank each one.”

Join us Tuesdays at 9:30a in Fellowship Hall (the church basement) for refreshments, fellowship, and a new Bible study on the Gospel of Mark.

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.

Martin Luther High School Symphonic Band begins their “For the Beauty of the Earth” 2020 Concert Tour here at St. Paul’s! Join us for an evening of music on Tuesday, March 31 at 7p in the L. W. Gersmehl Gymnasium.

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.

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

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 Groteleuschen (jgroteleuschen@stpaulsjanesville.com or 608-754-4471).

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.

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.

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.

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.

YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

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

Youth to present The Passion Play. We're looking for all youth to get involved this year. The play is set up for youth in grades 6 thru 12, but this year we need 5th graders to make a bigger "crowd" in the play. We have many roles to fill—both speaking and non-speaking parts. We also need backstage help.

We will meet four times this year to walk through the script, learn our parts, and do a dress rehearsal. After each play practice we'll have food and then play some games in the gym.

We will meet in the sanctuary (the church) on

Sunday, March 15 from 3:30 to 5p

Sunday, March 22 from 3:30 to 5p

Sunday, March 29 from 3:30 to 5p

Sunday, April 5 from 3:30 to 5p

Dress rehearsal will be on Wednesday, April 8th (time to be determined).

Good Friday, April 19 at 2p is the performance.

The Female Church Worker Scholarship Committee is accepting scholarship applications for the 2020-2021 academic year. These grants are funded by the individual members of the LWML-South Wisconsin District through a percentage of Fall Retreat and Winter Getaway offerings, special gifts and interest on our funds. To be eligible, a woman must be a resident of South Wisconsin District enrolled in one of our synodical institutions preparing for full time church work in a called position. Applications are available on our website, lwml-swd.org, by January 1st of each year and all application materials must be submitted by the following April 30th to be considered. Please join us in praying for these and all of our young people preparing for a life of service in the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. To God be the Glory!

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).