

Our Stewardship For: March 27, 30 & 31, 2019

Church and Communion Attendance:

	Church	Comm.
Lent 12:15p	31	
6:30p	163	
Saturday---	131	106
8:00---	130	105
10:30-	143	112

Sunday School:

Attendance:	
Offerings:	\$
Total Missions:	\$

Lutheran Heritage Foundation

Our Gifts to God:

MAR 3, 2019	\$24,103.33
MAR 10, 2019	\$20,336.01
MAR 17, 2019	\$20,655.38
MAR 24, 2019	\$15,834.20
MAR 31, 2019	\$20,519.79
MAR To Date Giving	\$101,448.71
MAR Monthly Budget Needs	\$120,900.00

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!

Dennis & Lois Wahrle gave a gift for the School Electronic Sign in thanksgiving for “Grace Huie’s baptism and blessings received”; Bill Giese gave an undesignated gift in memory of Joyce’s birthday; Wes Crosby gave an undesignated gift in memory of Carol Turner and Nelita Crosby; Bob & Lois Cook gave a gift to Unified in memory of Carol Turner;

In memory of Ron & Mary Staben: *For the Comfort Dog Ministry:* John & Marcella Elfrink; Bryan & Julie Droste

In memory of Donald Herr: *For the Comfort Dog Ministry:* David & Laura Herr and family.



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OPPORTUNITIES

For the Week of April 7, 2019



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St. Paul’s Church Council 2018-19

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Have you been to our website? www.StPaulsJanesville.com is the place to go for information on all of the activities of the congregation. You will find the weekly “Opportunities” and “Taking Faith Home” on the main page.

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.

Our Church Calendar for the week of April 7, 2019

Sunday: Comm. Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Wor.-10:30a; Afternoon Comm.-1:30p; Youth Praise Band-3p; Adult Confirmation-3p; Public School Confirmation-4p; Youth/Bible Study-4p; Sr. High Youth/Bible Study-6p.

Monday: Church Council-6:30p.

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

Wednesday: *Lent*; Chapel-8:15a; Women's Bible Study-9a; Lenten Wor.-12:15p; Women's Bible Study-1:30p; Lenten Supper-5p, Lenten Wor.-6:30p.

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

Saturday: Orphan Grain Train-8a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-6p.

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Please join us today (Sunday) for a very special service: **Afternoon Communion** at 1:30 PM

Sympathy: Our prayers are with Ann Gauvin and daughters Micole and Megan on the recent loss of mother/grandmother, Joanne Hildebrandt. Please pray for all who mourn.

Baptisms: On Saturday we welcome Grace Lee Huie, child of Timothy & Katharine (neé Wahrle) Huie, into the Lord's Kingdom through Holy Baptism. Her sponsors are Joel Wahrle and Ryan & Sarah Garven. At the 8a service on Sunday we baptize Emery Kathryn Joy Schafer, child of Ryan & Elise (neé Sommerfeldt) Schafer. Her sponsors are Shaun & Salina Lane.

Altar Flowers: There is a sign up chart in the Narthex (back of church) to donate the altar flowers. When you sign up, an Altar Guild representative will call you to discuss which florist you will use and arrange to have a vase liner delivered. You make payment arrangements with the florist directly. Following the last worship service you have the option of taking the flowers home or donating them to a homebound member or nursing home. Sign up today!

Worship Folders: The folders today are given by Sue Matson "to celebrate my Mother, Lois (Bienash) Goldsmith's 80th birthday". Happy Birthday, Lois! Thank you. 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: April 21, 28; May 12; June 2, 9, 16, 30. Thank you.

Hospitalized: *Please notify us when in the hospital (and let us know at which hospital) so pastors and staff members can visit.* At St. Mary's-Bob Radtke. Please remember him in your prayers.

Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

Aaron's Hands. Aaron's Hands is an informal prayer group that meets on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of the month, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of School. The group lifts up in prayer the specific requests of missionaries. Everyone is Welcome – just bring a prayerful heart.

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 DAN DECKER (754-4471 EXT. 300)

SUNDAYS AT 9:30A *ADULT BIBLE STUDY*
SCHOOL: ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30A *THE GOSPEL OF LUKE*
FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH PASTOR DAN DECKER

WEDNESDAYS AT 9A *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

WEDNESDAYS AT 1:30P *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

THURSDAY BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30A *RAY VANDER LAAN: FAITH LESSONS*
FELLOWSHIP HALL WITH BARRY & RUTH WIER (608-752-9330)

THURSDAYS AT 6P *WOMEN'S STUDY*
SCHOOL ROOM 204 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 *Shelter My Sheep-Free At Last Ministry*. 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).

A big "Thank You" to all of the members and visitors who sign the Friendship Register with your family's individual names (John Doe, Jane Doe, Sally Doe) and do not sign as "The Doe Family". This helps greatly in registering attendance. We have many families with the same surname and signing with your individual names helps us determine which family has worshiped with us. This is especially important for our school families. Thank you!

Lenten Worship Schedule: Our final Lenten service is Wednesday, April 10, at 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. You are invited to join us as we reflect on our Lord's great love for us. *Please Note: There will be NO Thursday evening worship services 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 April 10, the Youth attending the National Youth Gathering will be serving a spaghetti dinner.

Incorrect Time for Maundy Thursday Worship was printed on the first page of the April *News N Notes*. The afternoon worship time is **2p**. I'm sorry for any confusion this has caused.
---Stacey Marendt, Church Secretary

New Supply of Greeting Cards for Sale - \$6 a box-- The Lutheran Women in Mission have received a new supply of cards for your purchase. We have some birthday cards, get well, sympathy, and encouragement cards, all boxes of 12 for \$6. We even have some bargains, specially marked at half price. **CHECK THEM OUT!**

They are located on the shelves at the south end of the Fellowship Hall. Any profits from the sale of these cards will be used to fund our Greeting card ministry and other mission projects. Envelopes are available on the shelf with the cards to place your payment to be put in the LWML mailbox just around the corner in the hallway. Thank you for your support.

Lutheran Women in Mission Salad Lunch & Work Day: All ladies of the congregation are invited to join us on Tuesday, April 16 at noon for a salad lunch in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Please bring a salad to share. After the meal we will work on assembling Pillowcase Dresses--no sewing experience needed. We'll show you how easy it is.

The Church Council meets on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is April 8, 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.

2018-19 Council Members are: Jack Eden- 608-751-5999; Jennifer O'Connell, 608-359-3544; Rhonda Schulze, 920-946-7417; Jeff Elser, 608-752-5120; Tom Neumann, 608-751-4504, Laura Manke, 608-563-1142; Jen Ellis, 608-449-3072, Barb Frank, 608-718-1278; Jason Harvey, 608-322-9443.

Ladies' Aid Palm Sunday Bake Sale is Coming! Stop by Fellowship Hall (the church basement) following worship services the weekend of April 13 & 14 and pick up some delicious baked goods for your Palm Sunday and Easter entertaining! We'll have pies, cakes, breads, bars and other goodies available for purchase. All proceeds go toward purchasing needed items for the church and school. Thank you for your continued support.

And to all the bakers out there! Your donations would be appreciated! Please bring your baked goods to Fellowship Hall on Saturday, April 13 after 4p. Thank you.

Help us to share God's love this Easter season through books!! For the next three weeks we will be collecting Christian books, primarily children's but will certainly take any, to distribute throughout Janesville in the many Little Free Libraries. We are looking for any Christian books you may have that your children have outgrown or are ready to pass on to others. There will be collection boxes both in the back of church and by the office at school starting Wednesday, March, 20th and they will remain until after services on Sunday, April 14th. We know where many of the Little Free Libraries are located but if there are any specific ones you would love to see some books in please either drop a note in one of the boxes or email Barb Cooper at bschlar31@yahoo.com with the location. Thank you all for helping us share God's love through Christian books!!

Lit 'n Lattes, our Christian Women's book club, has chosen to read In Places Hidden by Tracie Peterson. You'll need to get the book on your own and read it in time for a lively discussion on Tuesday, April 23 at 6:30 pm in room 204 of the school.

Gala of Giving: This year's Gala of Giving is May 11, 2019. 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. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Lindau at 290-1560.

New Adult Confirmation Class Beginning: Are you interested in joining St. Paul's or know someone who may be interested in church membership? Are you a long-time St. Paul's member but would like a refresher course on what you learned in confirmation? The *Art of Living by Faith* is a course on the Bible-based teachings of the Lutheran Church offered by Pastor Decker. Taking this course does not obligate you to join St. Paul's. The first session will meet on Sunday, April 7 from 3-4 p.m. in Room 204 of school. If you have any questions, please contact the church office or Pastor Decker at 754-4471 ext. 300 or ddecker@stpaulsjanesville.com.

Shepherd's Heart Daycare Is Looking for Teachers: This is a part-time position (up to 20 hours per week). Schedule varies between the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. And school families---there is a tuition discount when you are an employee of the congregation. If interested, please contact Cassie Bonow at cbonow@stpaulsjanesville.com.

YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

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

Sun., April 7 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., April 14 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.

Youth and Parents Needed to Help with Lenten Suppers and Easter Breakfast! Youth going to the National Youth Gathering will be serving on April 10. Easter Breakfast will be on April 21. Help is needed! Please contact John Mueller as soon as possible. Thank you!

Passion Play Rehearsals in church on Sunday, April 7 from 2:30 to 4p and Sunday; April 14 from 2:30 to 4p. Dress Rehearsal on April 17---time to be determined. We are looking for all youth grades 5 thru 12 to participate.

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!

Senior High Sunday Morning Bible Study: We are going through a new Bible Study called Can I Ask That 2. This Bible Study covers some hard questions that youth might have in today's world. The Bible Study starts every Sunday from 9:15am to 10:15am in the Youth Room. This is a great Bible Study to attend if you have questions of your own about your faith or God.

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 in Room 202 and then attend Bible Study in Room 204.

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.

Holy Week Schedule

PALM SUNDAY April 14 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY April 18 **2 p.m.** & 6:30 p.m.
with Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY: PASSION PLAY April 19 2 p.m.
CAUTION: This Passion Drama may be unsuitable for young children. As an alternative, families are invited to attend the 2p Good Friday worship service at St. Mark, 2921 Mt. Zion Ave, Janesville. Please call 608-754-8115 for more information.

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE April 19 6:30 p.m.

EASTER VIGIL April 20 6:00 p.m.
We invite everyone to this special service and encourage you to return to worship on Sunday, when we celebrate the Resurrection of our Savior.

CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION
April 21 Sunrise Service with Holy Communion at 6 a.m.
April 21 Holy Communion 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Easter Breakfast Served by St. Paul's Youth: This year on Easter Sunday, April 21, St. Paul's Youth will be preparing and serving our Easter Breakfast from 6:45 - 8 a.m. and 9 - 10:00 a.m. The menu will include scrambled eggs, French toast, casserole, ham, cheesy hash browns, baked goods, fruit and beverages.

Advance Tickets are \$6 adults; \$3 children ages 3-10; under 3 eat free. Advance reservations can be purchased after services or from the school/church office. You can also order reservations online on our website---www.stpaulsjanesville.com---under the Youth Tab.. Reservations will be available at the door on Sunday, April 21, for \$7 adults; \$3.50 children ages 3-10.

No Bible Study, Sunday School, Choir Rehearsal, Confirmation classes or Youth Group on Sunday, April 21.

**The Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 21, 2019.
The School Office and classes resume on Monday, April 21, 2019.**

