

## Our Stewardship For: April 26, 28 & 29, 2018

<b>Church and Communion Attendance:</b>		<b>Sunday School:</b>	
	Church	Comm.	Attendance:
Thurs.---	53	38	Offerings: \$
Saturday---	186	146	Total Missions: \$
8:00---	153	104	
10:30-	170	124	<i>GIFTS Men's Shelter</i>

<b>Our Gifts to God:</b>	APRIL 1, 2018	\$20,378.68
	APRIL 8, 2018	\$15,573.85
	APRIL 15, 2018	\$13,736.99
	APRIL 22, 2018	\$17,769.50
	APRIL 29, 2018	\$15,146.95
	APRIL To Date Giving	\$82,605.97
	APRIL Monthly Budget Needs	\$113,900.00

**At the April 23rd Voters' Meeting, the congregation approved increasing the parking lot fundraising goal to \$605,000.** The \$55,000 increase was to allow for a 10% contingency fund. The previously allowed contingency was used up due to higher than anticipated costs. The parking lot reconstruction will begin immediately after school dismisses for the summer. To date, \$245,000 of the \$605,000 budget has been raised. This includes \$103,500 from the Scrip program earnings. Many, many thanks to Gail Pateros and all of the Scrip volunteers for this amazing accomplishment!! Thanks also to everyone who has already given an individual gift to the parking lot fund. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Please consider making a gift (or an additional gift), over and above your regular offering, toward completion of this much needed project. Contact business manager, Cindy Perkins ([cperkins@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:cperkins@stpaulsjanesville.com) OR 754-4471 X307), with any questions regarding a gift.

### Opportunities for Special Gifts/Memorials—Thank you!

*Denny & Dianne Vierk* gave a gift for the Parking Lot fund in memory of Candy Whitehead and Arrionne Beecroft; *Ray & Karen Redmann* gave a gift for St. Paul's Family Tuition Assistance in memory of Candy Whitehead; *Ed & Lois James* gave a gift for an additional Kindergarten teacher "in honor of our granddaughter, Madeline Jenkin, who attended St. Paul's and is now graduating from St. Charles North High School, St. Charles, Illinois";

**In memory of Allen "Nick" & Isobel "Belle" Lueck:** *For the Parking Lot:* Chuck & Bobbie Wilke; *For Unified:* Marilyn Hawbaker;



**OPPORTUNITIES**  
**For the Week of May 6, 2018**  
**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 2017-18

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**Have you been to our website? [www.StPaulsJanesville.com](http://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 and a link to the "Principal's Pads" under the "School" tab.

**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, May 6, 2018

**Sunday:** Comm. Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Wor.-10:30a; Afternoon Comm.-1:30p; Public School Confirmation-4:30p; Adult Confirmation-4:30p; Youth/Bible Study-6p; Sr. High Youth/Bible Study-7:30p.

**Tuesday:** Parents in Prayer-8a; 4H-6:30p

**Wednesday:** Chapel-8:15a; Women's Bible Study-9a; Scoopie Night at Culver's on Milton Ave-4p; Handbells-5:30p, Contemp Rehearsal-6:30p.

**Thursday:** Breakfast Bible Study-6:30a; Women's Bible Study-6p; Wor.-6:30p.

**Saturday:** Gala of Giving at Pontiac Convention Center-5p; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-6p.

**Next Sunday:** Wor.-8a; Sunday School/Bible Studies-9:15a; Joyful Noise-9:15a; Contemporary Comm. Wor.-10:30a; Public School Confirmation-4:30p; Adult Confirmation-4:30p; Youth/Bible Study-6p; Sr. High Youth Bible Study-7:30p.

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

**Sympathy:** On Friday, April 27, 2018 our Lord called Candy Whitehead to her eternal home. Please remember her family in your prayers, especially her daughters Sierra and Allison and her siblings Leonard Reimer, April Driver, and Misty Ruosch.

Our prayers are with Linda Cooper and family on the recent loss of her father, Gil Willing. May our Risen Lord grant peace to all who mourn.

**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 Dave & Laura Manke in loving memory of Carl Manke, Donald Manke, Gerhart Manke and Marjory Manke. 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: May 20, 27; June 10, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22. 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 Mercy- Mal Fischer; At St. Mary's-Bob Radtke and Keith Oldfield. Please remember them in your prayers along with Margaret Mortensen and Betty Oldfield who have been released.

**Congratulations on your Service Anniversary!** This weekend we recognize Mrs. Kristen Gestrich, Mrs. Elizabeth Decker and Mrs. Carol Welton for their 25 years of serving our Lord. We will present them with the congregational gift that was collected throughout the month of April. Please stop by and thank them.

## Opportunities to Remember Others In Prayer

**Pray for Us Missionary Calendar Available!** You are invited to pick up the most recent prayer calendar, showing prayer requests submitted to LCMS World Mission by our co-workers in the Lord's Mission around the world. They are available in the back of church.

**Aaron's Hands.** Aaron's Hands is an informal prayer group that meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Parents In Prayer meets Tuesdays from 8 to 9 a.m.** in the conference room of school. This group is for moms, dads, grandparents, aunts, uncles and anyone who would like to pray for our school, teachers, students, and staff. We meet every Tuesday that school is in session. For more details, contact Lisa Stanton at 608-563-0203.

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

SUNDAYS AT 9:15A ..... *JESUS' STORIES AND OUR STORY*  
FELLOWSHIP HALL ..... *VICAR MARIN CERCHEZ*

SUNDAYS AT 9:30A ..... *"LOVE RULES"*  
SCHOOL ROOM 202 ..... FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

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

WEDNESDAYS AT 9A ..... *WOMEN'S STUDY*  
SCHOOL ROOM 202 ..... 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 STUDY*  
SCHOOL ROOM 202 ..... FOR MORE INFORMATION: KATHY PINGEL (754-4471 EXT. 306)

**Mites Support Missions with Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)!** For the next two years (2016-2018), St. Paul's Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) will be using their mites to support eleven mission grants. Our next project is *Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Food Bank*. 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).

**Remember Your Mother with a Rose on Mother's Day, May 13!** On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13, the Rock County Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life, will hold their annual Rose Sale. Roses will be available following the 8 & 10:30 a.m. services in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Costs are \$3 each or two for \$5. This is a major fund raiser for the Rock County-Wisconsin Right to Life Chapter. Help support Wisconsin Right to Life and let your Mom know you love her! Thank you.

**The Tuesday morning Bible study, held at 9:30a every Tuesday, has concluded for the season.** Look for us to start back up again in fall.

**Grades 5 to 12 Youth Service Opportunity:** On Friday, May 11th from 4 to 6p the Youth of St. Paul's will be helping House of Mercy ([320 Lincoln St. Janesville, WI 53548](http://www.houseofmercy.org)). House of Mercy is a center that provides homeless families throughout southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois with short-term emergency shelter and access to housing assistance, job placement, and child care resources. Our youth will be helping with the yard work doing things like mulching, raking, and cleaning up the bushes. Also, we will be organizing some of the storage rooms that they have inside. We would love for as many youth from 5th grade to 12th grade to come and help. Parents are invited to help us as well. Bring rakes, gloves, etc. and meet at the House of Mercy at 4p. We'll see you there!

**It's time for another Youth Group—Culver's Scoopie Night: Wednesday, May 9, 2018!** Join us at Culver's on Milton Avenue, Janesville, from 4 to 8 p.m. St. Paul's Youth will receive 10% of all sales during those hours. So whether you dine in, carry out, or drive through, you can help our Youth raise money for their activities (like the National Youth Gathering). Bring your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers and enjoy a night away from cooking. Remember to purchase SCRIP cards!

**The Gala committee is looking for help with putting chair covers and a bow on the chairs the morning of the Gala of Giving , May 12, at 9a.** Any questions, please contact Bridget Lindau 608-290-1460. Thank you!

**The Church Council meets on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is May 14, 2018, 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.

2017-18 Council Members are: Bridget Lindau, 608-290-1460; Brian Garcia-Treasurer, 608-449-4711; Jen Ellis, 608-449-3072; Jack Eden-Vice Chair 608-751-5999; Jennifer O'Connell, 608-359-3544; Nate Simmons, 608-436-6720; Jeff Elser-Chair, 608-752-5120; Tom Neumann, 608-756-1978, Laura Manke-Secretary, 608-563-1142.

**Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) Welcomes Vicar Marin Cerchez.** All ladies of the congregation are invited to our next meeting on Tuesday, May 15 at 6:30p in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Vicar Marin will lead us in a Bible study. Following the study there will be a short business meeting. Please join us!

**Greeting Cards For Sale - \$6 a box—** The Lutheran Women in Mission have just received a new supply of cards for your purchase. We have some new birthday cards, including kids birthday. We also have sympathy cards. Some of the get well cards are marked special for \$3. All cards are located on the shelves at the south end of Fellowship Hall (the church basement). 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 one of the shelves to place your payment to be put in the LWML mailbox just around the corner in the hallway. Thank you for your support.

**School Bags and Health Kits Needed!** Orphan Grain Train is in desperate need of school bags and health kits. You'll find bags with a list of needed items in the back of church and in Fellowship Hall (the church basement). Please fill these bags as you are able. Thank you!

**Thank You for the Bicycles:** Orphan Grain Train would like to thank those who recently donated 15 bicycles to be used by people in different countries. Thank You to Jason Malloy of Russ Darrow Chrysler, Madison, for the use of a truck to deliver the bikes. We will continue to collect bikes to be sent to Liberia and Sudan sometime this summer. Call Pastor Jim Hendrikson at 608-373-0985 for more information.

**You're Invited to a Special Event! Pastor Paul Garchow's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in the Holy Ministry.** Pastor Paul Garchow will be celebrating his 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the Holy Ministry of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod on Saturday, May 26, 2018, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1045 Belvidere Rd, Belvidere, Illinois. There will be an Open House from 4 to 5:45p. The Saturday evening worship service will begin at 6p and at that time we will commemorate Pastor Paul's 40 years of service. We will sing, pray, hear the Word and give thanks. We hope you'll join us. If you are unable to attend, but would like to send a card, Pastor Paul's address is 1525 Wildrose St, Belvidere, IL 61008.

**Lit 'N Lattes, a Christian Women's Book Club,** will meet on Tuesday, May 22, at 6:30p in Room 202 of St. Paul's School. We will be discussing the book, The Prayer Box by Lisa Wingate. You can find the book on Amazon or any local or online bookstore.

**Moms & Tots Playgroup meets the first Thursday of each month from 10-11a in the Family Ministry Room # 202 in the school.** There is a story and play time for toddlers and devotions for moms. Join us to connect, support, and socialize. Contact Kathy Pingel for more info at [kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:kpingel@stpaulsjanesville.com) or 754-4471 ext.306.

**Part Time Special Needs Teacher Sought:** We are looking for someone with a Bachelor's Degree and a teaching certificate with certification/endorsement in special education who can provide individualized instruction to children with special learning needs. A complete position description is available from the school/church office. If you, or anyone you know, are interested have them contact Mr. Lunak at [rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com). Thank you.

**Shepherd's Heart Daycare is looking for part-time help:** Our daycare has openings for assistant daycare teachers. Please contact Rob Lunak at [rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com) or 608-754-4471 ext. 302 with questions or to apply.

**Part Time Art Teacher Needed:** St. Paul's is looking for a part-time art teacher to teach 6 to 8<sup>th</sup> grade art six hours a week during the 2018-19 school year. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree, be able to work with middle school students, and have a love of art. For more information or to apply please contact Rob Lunak at [rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:rlunak@stpaulsjanesville.com) or 608-754-4471 ext. 302.

## YOUTH GROUP OPPORTUNITIES & CALENDAR

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

**Sun., May 6 from 6 to 7:30p:** Youth/Bible Study. We'll begin in the church sanctuary.

ALL youth (5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades) are invited to join in our Bible Study and activities. *Yes, 5<sup>th</sup> graders---please join us!* We'll learn The Truth About Truth.

**Senior High Youth Group:** All youth in grades 9 to 12, are invited to stay a little later (from 7:30 to 8:15p) 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!

**SUNDAYS AT 9:15A to 10:15A—SUNDAY SCHOOL.** Our Sunday School classes are open to all children ages two years through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. (Two and three year old students must have a parent with them). Students should assemble in their classrooms. Parents can join us for the opening in Room 201 and then attend Bible Study in Room 202.

**SUNDAYS AT 9:15A: Jr. High Grapple for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students!** Come grapple with the real questions you're asking – join us for Grapple each Sunday from 9:15a-10:15a. 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.

**St. Paul's Supports – What is it?** It's a TEAM of St. Paul's Members supporting other members (specifically students who have graduated from St. Paul's and are now in High School.) It requires very little commitment. To make a difference in a young person's life, please contact Scott Gestrich ([608-580-2059](tel:608-580-2059)) or John Mueller ([909-936-3955](tel:909-936-3955)) or simply sign up at [bit.ly/stpaulssupports](http://bit.ly/stpaulssupports)

**St. Paul's Alumni Association:** We're looking for current information on all former students who have ever attended St. Paul's School. (Current address, current phone number, current email address, maiden name-if you've been married, and year your class graduated.) Forms are available from the back of church or send an email to [churchoffice@stpaulsjanesville.com](mailto:churchoffice@stpaulsjanesville.com). Thank you!

**The Latest Issue of St. Paul's "Principal's Pad" is available for pick-up in the Narthex (back of church).**

**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 Cindy Perkins at 608-295-0868 for more information or to volunteer.

**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](mailto:smarenda@StPaulsJanesville.com)). Thank you.

### ECHO News:

[www.echojanesville.org](http://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 at Sister Congregations:

- **Spring Luncheon and Bake Sale, Wednesday, May 16, 2018, from 11a to 1p at St. John Lutheran Church, 207 E High Street, Edgerton.** Join us for a lunch of Hot Turkey Sandwiches, salads, cake & dessert bars. Cost \$8 for adults; \$3 for children ages 5 to 12. Carryouts are available. Sponsored by Thrivent Financial Action Team.