

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - January 20 & 21, 2018

ATTENDANCE CARDS

Please locate the Attendance Cards in your row and fill one out when you arrive. This helps us know that you are here with us and it enables us to assist you. The Attendance Cards are collected after the Offering.

9:50 a.m. SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES

Class: "The Book of Colossians"

Location: Room 121

Teacher: Ken Brinkmann

Class: "Hymns of Epiphany"

Location: Room 129

Teacher: Pastor Mike

Class: "Jr. & Sr. High Youth"

Location: Room 131 & 132

Teacher: Angel Gillespie/Dave Wonder

HYMNS OF EPIPHANY

Epiphany is more than "We Three Kings of Orient Are." In our hymns during the season of Epiphany we sing the great revealing of Jesus' divinity. Together with Pastor Mike we'll explore different aspects of this important season in the Church through the songs we sing.

January 21 - Thy Strong Word

ALTAR FLOWER CHART for 2018

The Flower Chart for 2018 is up. The chart is posted at the school site. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers in honor of or in memory of someone or some special occasion, please sign up on the chart for your desired weekend. **When you sign up for flowers please include your phone number next to your name!** Thank you!

The cost is \$25.00 for one vase or \$50.00 for two. **Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.** Checks can be put in the offering plate or turned in to the church office. If you have any questions regarding altar flowers, please contact Lynda Koeppen at 932-1545 or lykoeppen@comcast.net.

TUESDAY MORNING 10 a.m. BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for Bible Study **January 23rd** with Roy Cordes. Join us as we read 1 Thessalonians together.

MEN'S BIBLE BREAKFAST

We meet again **Saturday, January 27th** at **7a.m.** in the Riverside Hospital Cafeteria. Come and get some breakfast, and join us as we study God's Word. I pray that you can join us for the study!

THE AGAPE HANDBELL RINGERS IN CONCERT AT ST. PAUL'S!

Save the Date!!

The Agape Handbell Ringers, Chicago's premier handbell ensemble, is playing a concert at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. If you missed them when they were here last year, you won't want to miss this amazing performance! Mark your calendar now and watch future bulletins and newsletters for more details.

When: Sunday, March 11th @ 4:00 p.m.

Where: St. Paul's Lutheran School Gym, 1780 Career Center Road, Bourbonnais

Cost: Freewill offering



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL REGISTRATION



It is time to start thinking about the 2018-2019 School year. Early enrollment began for returning families and members of St. Paul's on **Monday, January 8th**. Open enrollment will begin on **Monday, January 22nd**. We expect to reach our maximum of 22

students in many of our K-8 grades and come close to filling our preschool and many of our lower grades. Therefore, it is important to enroll soon after registration begins. Once open enrollment begins enrollment is on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions about St. Paul's and the programs our principal, Mr. J i m K r u p s k i (jkrupski@stpaulslutheran.net) or our admissions counselor Mrs. Renee Wright (rwright@stpaulslutheran.net) would be happy to speak with you or set up a time for a visit. You can also call the school office to set up an appointment or ask questions, 815-932-0312.

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS' WEEK

January 21st through January 29th has been designated as a time to celebrate Lutheran schools throughout the country. This year the national theme is, "It's still all about Jesus." During the week, we will have many fun activities to remind us of the blessings we have had a St. Paul's for 153 years. One of the special events we will have is a special show for all families in our church and school community by Christian comedian **Tim Hennig at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24th in the gym** **This event is free and open to everyone.** Come and celebrate our ministry together as a congregation and thank God for His many blessings.

St. John Lutheran Sunday School

will sponsor their
40th Annual Spaghetti Supper
Saturday, February 17th
Beecher Amvets Hall
532 Gould Street
Beecher, IL
4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Carry outs are available
Adults: \$8.00
Children: (K-8): \$4.00
Preschool and under: FREE

UPCOMING YOUTH DATES

1/21 **5th -6th Grade Youth Night**
6-7:30 p.m. Youth Room
1/28 **Bickford Game Day**
1:30-3:30 p.m.
100 Jones Ave. Bourbonnais



2018 KANSAS CITY MISSION

TRIP DEPOSITS DUE

Please turn in your \$100 deposit to DCE Angel Gillespie as soon as possible. Everyone is welcome to serve on our mission team, youth 7th grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult. We will be serving in the inner-city at Our Saviour Lutheran Church.

BICKFORD GAME DAY

January 28th 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Join us as we play board games and fellowship with residents at Bickford Senior Living. This is a great opportunity for families to serve together in a social setting. The residents enjoy visiting with youth and children while playing games together. We will meet at Bickford Senior Living at 1:30pm.

YEAR END STATEMENTS

We have mailed and/or emailed out **Year End Contribution Statements** this past Friday to all who requested them last year. If you do not receive yours, please call the church office to request it be mailed. Also, if you did not request a copy last year please let us know this year. Call the church office if you have any questions. Thank you

MEMBERSHIP CHANGE FORM ON CHURCH WEBSITE

If you have had any phone, address, or family changes, please go to the church website, www.stpaulslutheran.net and fill out the form under the tab "News & Events" and then to "Membership Change Form". **To send, press the submit button at the bottom of the form.**

WORSHIP ANEW

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

"Fishers of Men"

Mark 1:14-20

Rev. James Elsner

Fishing is a favorite sport for many. Casting and reeling a hook to lure the fish. "Fishing" for people? It's better done with a net. And the net of the Gospel of God's love in Jesus is best. *Sunday 11:30 am - Comcast 138*
www.worshipanew.org

PROJECT COMPASSION

MEETING



Project Compassion Visitors will have their quarterly meeting at Chicago Dough on **Wednesday, February 7th at 6 p.m.** Project Compassion visitors

will meet for fellowship, sharing, and food. Anyone interested in becoming a Project Compassion visitor who visits shut-ins in their home, assisted living or nursing home setting is welcome to attend. Please call the church office at 815-932-0312 for the RSVP. Pastor Mike will explain the new "Gabriel's Callers" initiative as an outreach to senior citizens at St. Paul's as well as facilitating the group.

THANK YOU TO

POINSETTIA DELIVERERS

The Board of Parish Fellowship thanks those members who delivered poinsettias after Christmas to St. Paul's members who are shut-ins or who live in area nursing homes. Those members who helped were Mike & Kay Clendenin, Joan Gehm, Colleen, Nathan & Alena Lagesse, Diane Payne, Dennis & Nancy Rabe, Jack & Janice Tomblin and Anita Schluter Wilson. A special thanks to those who donated poinsettias as well as to Dennis & Nancy Rabe and Anita Schluter Wilson for organizing the flowers for delivery.

THE NORTHERN ILLINOIS LIFE
TASK FORCE

The Life Task Force presents “Adoption Options Workshop” on **February 3rd, 8:30 to Noon** at St. Peter Lutheran Church (202 E Schaumburg Rd, Schaumburg, IL 60194). Registration is \$10 payable at door with checks payable to NID, memo Life Task Force.

Reserve your seat by calling Kris Blackwell 630-234-1491 or emailing her at kbwrk123@gmail.com. Women who choose not to abort their unborn child often will look to have that child adopted upon birth. But did you know that fertilized eggs leftover from the in vitro fertilization process may also be adopted rather than killed? Then for others, fostering children can provide temporary love and support to families in crisis. All these are ways that Love Affirms Life! Topics for this workshop include **Understanding the Adoption Process in Illinois, Embryo Adoption, and A different kind of Foster Care program called Safe Families.**

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“Life issues didn’t arise overnight. Their frequent connection to medical technology can make them seem like recent developments—and advances in understanding physiology and pharmaceuticals have made abortion and euthanasia more efficient and available of late. But these circumstances have been causing society’s difficulties—and providing opportunities to proclaim the Gospel—since ancient times.” Rev. Michael W. Salemink, executive director of Lutherans For Life

– A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

2018 GIVING ENVELOPES

The 2018 Envelopes are here. Saturday attendee’s envelopes are in Fellowship Hall; Sunday attendee’s envelopes are in the School Cafeteria. Call the Church Office if you do not find yours, we can get it to the correct location for you. Thank you for your support of St. Paul’s ministries.

8TH GRADE FUNDRAISER

Come out and Support our St. Paul’s 8th graders **January 22nd & 23rd**! Present the enclosed flyer and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchase! Thank you for your support!



RACHEL MEYER UPDATE

Dearest family and friends,

This morning I received notification that I have received the GREEN LIGHT! We are in the process of making arrangements for me to go to Uganda sometime around February 7-9.

When I arrive, the first few months will be spent in field orientation, cultural acclimation (including living in a village for up to two weeks), language lessons, settling in to my apartment (the missionaries in Uganda are helping me to start looking for an apartment before I even arrive), and observing at the school. I will begin teaching when the next school term starts, probably around May.

Thank you all for your prayers, encouragement, and support throughout this whole process. Please keep the prayers going as I now work through all of the final logistics to move to Uganda and transition into life and ministry there.

*God's blessings and love to you all,
 Rachel*

VOTERS’ ASSEMBLY MEETING

A regular meeting of the Voters’ Assembly will be held on **Sunday, January 28th at 12:30 p.m.** at the school. Members of the congregation who are age 18 or older are eligible to become voting members and to participate in the decision making of the congregation. After attending at least two Voters’ Assembly meetings in a one-year time period, a member is accepted into voting membership. Voting membership privileges then continue as long as you remain a member of the congregation.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

January 13 & 14, 2018

Worship Attendance:

Saturday	5:00 pm	68
Sunday	8:30 am	177
	11:05 am	120

Weekend Total: 365

Bible Study:

Children’s Sunday School:	52
Sunday Adult Bible Classes:	18
Small Group Attendance (December):	119

CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE
 (815-932-0312) 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.
 ANNOUNCEMENT
 DEADLINE, TUESDAY, 1:30 P.M.

Serving In God's House Today

Preacher: Pastor Michael Hanel

Liturgist: Pastor Karl Koeppen

Organist: Carol Goodwin

Lay Ministry

5:00: Steve Plotezka, Ken Taube

8:30: Robert Carruthers, Brent Eden, John Giertz (Bill Balgeman)

11:05: Greg Deck

Lay Readers:

5:00: Ken Ebert

8:30: Roy Cordes

11:05: Sharla Ronchetto

Acolytes:

8:30: Zachary Curtis, Thandie Keown

11:05: Ave & Owen Pequette

Greeters:

8:30: Jim & Carol Baron

11:05: Tammy Anderson

Usher Teams:

5:00: Mark Gradberg, Fred Langelett, Jim Sharper, Terry Treece, Jeff Wilken

8:30: Dennis Rabe, Hill Love, Brandon Tomblin, Chris Tomblin, Jim Trudeau, Mark Weaver

11:05: Kirk Anderson, Steve Fabbro, Daniel Friesner, Mike Ruble

Nursery:

9:50: Andi & Amy Dotson

11:05: Anna Callan

Coffee Hour:

8:30: Assimilation

9:50: Assimilation

Contemporary Service Worship Team:

Matt Callan, Duane Ferrebee, Bill & Diana Dyche, Cindy Rubin, Scott Moore, Kayla Siemers, Jim Stone, Deb Turrell



This Week's Schedule of Activities

Sun. January 21	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 6:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion Sunday School, Adult & Youth Bible Class Worship - Contemporary - Communion Youth Group - 5 th & 6 th Grades	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Mon. January 22	9:00 am	MOPS	<i>(at School)</i>
Tues. January 23	10:00 am	Adult Bible Class	<i>(at School)</i>
Wed. January 24	8:30 am 4:30 pm 6:30 pm	Chapel 7 th & 8 th Grade Public School Confirmation Class The Pro Kids Show with Tim Hannig	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i>
Thurs. January 25			
Fri. January 26			
Sat. January 27	7:00 am 5:00 pm 6:30 pm	Men's Bible Breakfast Worship - Traditional Tables of Eight	<i>(Riverside)</i> <i>(at Church)</i>
Sun. January 28	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 1:30 pm	Worship - Traditional Sunday School, Adult & Youth Bible Class Worship - Contemporary Youth - Bickford Game Day	<i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at School)</i> <i>(at Bickford Senior Living)</i>