THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S April 14-20

Sunday

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Sunday School/Confirmation

12:00pm Leave for the Murder Mansion at Escapology in Orland Park

Monday Acts 13 (Daily Bible Reading)

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

6:00pm Alaska Mission Trip Meeting

Tuesday Acts 14 (Daily Bible Reading)

Noon Ladies Aid Meeting

2:00pm Sunrise Retirement Home Worship

6:00pm Grief Share

Wednesday Acts 15 (Daily Bible Reading)

9:30am Bible Study

11:30am Home School – Fellowship Hall

7:00pm Revelation Bible Study

Thursday Acts 16 (Daily Bible Reading) 8:30-Noon SSHS Fellowship Hall/Ed Bldg

7:00pm Men's Night – Fellowship & Fire

Friday Acts 17 (Daily Bible Reading)

6:30pm Faith & Film Night – Featuring "The Creator"

Saturday Acts 18 (Daily Bible Reading)

7:00am Men's Bible Study 8:30am-11:00am Food Pantry

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod "Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!" Luke 11:28

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading Acts 3:11-21 p.1159
Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7 p.1303
Holy Gospel Reading Luke 24:36-49 p.1126

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Carol DeVries given by her husband John and in memory of Carol Smolinski given by her husband Greg.

Baptism - God's Blessings to Ben & Emily Storbeck as their son Sawyer James is baptized and God's Blessings to Darin & Kate Habenicht as their son's Dash Phoenix and Sky Walker are baptized at our worship this morning. Sawyer's sponsors are Ashley Francis and Tony & Pam Schilaci. Dash & Sky's sponsors are Tyler Habenicht and Ben & Emily Storbeck.

Special Music – We thank God for our Youth in Rejoicing Ringers and for Carol Schoeling who directs the handbells. Today they are ringing "Jesus Shall Reign" at this morning's worship service.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Elders – Mike Najewski & Dennis Pieper Acolyte – Hailey Stricklin Ushers – Rich & Ruth Treichel Pianist – Carol Schoeling

Praise Team – Dave Hendrickson, Cheryl Ruger, Jen & Alyssa Churchill, Pete Whalen & Matt Schulz

Altar Guild - Amy Najewski & Angie Lyke

Tech Team – Bill Miller, Tyler Burnett, Scott Schulz & Jack Fleming Counters for the weekend – Ruth Treichel & Don Blume Sacred Grounds – George Kraus & Christy Miller & Family Spring College Care Packages - The deadline to bring snacks in is today Sunday, April 14th. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Summit 4:12 - Join us today Sunday, April 14th as we try to escape the Murder Mansion at Escapology in Orland Park (corner of Harlem and 159th). We will follow it up with ice cream at Oberweis. Only 8 spots are available so sign up in the narthex. We will depart church about 12 and return around 2:30. See Paul Szymanski for details.

2024 Alaska Mission Team – If you would like to know more about being a member of the 2024 Alaska Mission Team, please attend the **next team meeting Monday, April 15**th **at 6:00pm** at the church and online. There is no obligation if you come and ask questions. Please contact Pastor Troester or Scott Schulz if you would like more information about the meeting.

Revelation Bible Study – Starts this Wednesday April 17th at 7:00pm - Looking at the world today, it begs the question, "are we in the end times?" The answer is yes – but we've been in the end times since Jesus ascended into heaven. Maybe the question is – "What happens at the end of the times?" The book of Revelation was given to us to provide comfort as we see the trials & tribulation increase all around us. Join us for an in-depth study on this fascinating, challenging, and yes, comforting book! So - Bring your bible, and be ready for a journey into the end of this world, and the beginning of our eternity with God!

Faith & Film Night – featuring the movie "The Creator" – Friday, April 19th at 6:30pm. Pizza and snacks will be provided.

New Church Sign - You might have noticed when you came to church that we have a new sign out front of the church. With new technology we can do a lot more with this sign and it's much easier to change messages on the sign. Even though we communicate in many more ways today, there are still a good number of people who say: "We saw it on the sign out front." If nothing else, it tells everyone that is going by that we are open and active. We give thanks to The Lessmann family, Bob & Mary, and Bob & Carol for providing the funds for this and the previous sign. Your gifts help us to let His Light shine.

Save the date - The next fundraiser for the 2024 Alaska Mission Trip will be **Wednesday, May 1**st at Lou Malnati's Pizzeria. Watch the bulletin for more details.

This might interest you if you have a child or grandchild who walks or drives alone; if you have someone special getting ready to go to college; if you ever walk in a parking lot; if you like to take walks on side streets; Self Defense training for adults: Trainers from Cook County Sheriff's Police are offering a self-defense class here at St. Paul on Wednesday, May 8, from 4:30 pm until 6:00 pm. It will consist of video training and hands on practice. Children under 18 may attend with a parent. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please sign up if you plan to attend. If we have fewer than 15 people signed up, the class will not be held. Questions? Ask Rosanne Tadsen 708-209-5335.

Congratulations! To our Dartball team won the Grand Champion Award this past week.

A Special Thank you to the Menards Store in Matteson for the generous donation of food that they collected and gave to our Food Pantry.

Pastor Troester, Diane & family would like to thank everyone for all of the Easter gifts and for the prayers & cards while Pastor is recovering from shoulder surgery.

IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Mindy Cronwall, Debbie Walter, Pastor Troester, Mary Schmidtke, Dorothy Tracy, Jeff Novelli, Sharon Hart

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TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$9,284.64
Building Fund	\$577	\$800
Mission	\$327	\$140

Alaska Mission for Christ-\$100; Discretionary Fund-\$75; Scholarship Fund-\$550; St Matthews-\$150; Prison Ministry-Lori Wilbert-\$295; Troops Care Packages-\$10; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$2,775; Sacred Grounds-\$25; Food Pantry-\$100; Voice of Care-\$50; Prayer Shawl-\$100; Easter-\$50; National Youth Gathering-\$50

MARY'S CORNER

Don't loose sleep at night worrying about every little thing. No one expects you to know all the answers or solve all the problems in the world. After all that job belongs to God.