

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S  
APRIL 27 – MAY 3**

**Sunday**

**Psalm 1-2, 6, 8, 14, 16, 19 & 21(Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

**9:00am Worship Service**

10:30am Adult Bible Study – Meeting Room

10:30am Sunday School/Confirmation/High School & Beyond-Education Bldg

**Monday**

**Psalm 69 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**1 Chronicles 1-2 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

Noon Prayer Shawl

6:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting

**Tuesday**

**Psalm 70 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Psalm 43-45, 49, 84-85 & 87(Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

2:00pm Sunrise Service

6:00pm Grief Share

**Wednesday**

**Psalm 71 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**1 Chronicles 3-5 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

9:30am Bible Study

7:00pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study

**Thursday**

**Psalm 72 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**Psalm 73, 77-78 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

8:30-Noon SSHS (Fellowship Hall/Ed Building)

7:00pm Elders Meeting

7:00pm Praise Team Practice

**Friday**

**Psalm 73 (Daily Bible Reading)**

**1 Chronicles 6 (Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

**Saturday**

**Psalm 74(Daily Bible Reading)**

**Psalm 81-83, 88, 92-93 & 133(Chronological Daily Bible Reading)**

8:30-11:00am Food Pantry



# ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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***“Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it!” Luke 11:28***

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

### CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

#### SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading Acts 5:12–32 p1161

Epistle Reading Revelation 1:4–18 p1310

Holy Gospel John 20:19–31 p1154

**Altar Flowers** are given in thanks and praise to God and in memory in of Judy Johnson’s mom Ruth.

#### SERVING THIS WEEKEND

##### 9:00am

Elder - Mike Najewski

Acolyte – Sky Habenicht

Ushers – Dale & Kathy Johnson

Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders

Tech Team – Tyler Burnett, Bill Miller & Jack Fleming

Altar Guild – Shirley Adams & Vivian Purnell

Counters – Kathy Dahlman & John DeVries

Sacred Grounds – Pauline Griffin & Peggy Smutny

##### 10:45am – Confirmation Worship

Elder – Angie Lyke

Organist – Pam Reinke

Tech Team – Bill Miller & Scott Schulz

**Today is Confirmation Day – April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:45am** our 8<sup>th</sup> graders will confirm their faith of their Baptism. Keep Savannah Golf & Griffin Schmeckpeper and their families in your prayers as they profess their faith in Jesus Christ and continue on a Christian journey for the remainder of their lives. **Due to the confirmation service** there will be no High School class on Sunday morning.

**Rejoicing Ringers** - This morning, at the Confirmation Service, the Rejoicing Ringers will play for the last time this school year. Rejoicing Ringers is our handbell choir beginning with students in Grades 5 and older. The Rejoicing Ringers are: JR and Alyssa Churchill, Savannah and Sammy Golf, Riley and Sky Habenicht, Ashleigh Konecny, Royce and Ella Lang, and Hailey Stricklin. Thank you, Ian and Mitchell Troester, who were always willing to step in and ring bells for missing ringers. This group has enjoyed praising God by ringing handbells. **A big thank you** to everyone who have extended their mornings at church so that we could practice at 11:45am and then coming early on Sunday mornings for warm-ups.

**Monthly Mailings** – There is a box on the info table marked “Monthly Mailing” with your mailing that you can pick up today in alphabetical order. If you do not pick up your mailing – the office will mail them out to you on Monday morning. **If you decided to get your newsletter via email** you will continue to receive your monthly mailing via email.

**Postponed to a later date (TBD)** 40 Years of Prison Ministry – Deaconess Lori Wilbert – was scheduled for Sunday, May 4 at 2:00 pm to celebrate 40 years of prison ministry for Deaconess Lori, who is retiring now. **Unfortunately, Lori** needs to have foot surgery on April 30<sup>th</sup> and needs to rest her foot for two weeks. Watch for a new date in the coming weeks.

**The Mission Quilt Ladies** have made something new for the congregation and anyone who needs encouragement. We have made some "Burden Bears" which are small teddy bears wrapped in a scrap of quilt. There is a poem that goes with them also, which reminds you to pray and to trust God in all things. These are available to anyone who would like one for themselves or for a friend who needs some encouragement. They are on the table at the back of the church by the prayer squares. We are so happy to share these with you!

**Support the Troops** - With Memorial Day soon coming in May, please consider writing some thank you notes, letters or have your children or grandchildren color drawings of thanks to our troops. It would also be great if we could fill the blue bin under the military table with individually wrapped goodies such as: granola bars, crackers, cookies, trail mix, nuts, beef jerky, hard candy, gum, mints, or single drink mix, no chocolate please. Some thank you cards, etc. can be found on the military table for your use. Thank you.


**National Youth Gathering** - Thank you to those who gave an offering at the Easter Breakfast to support our Youth going to the National Youth Gathering this summer in New Orleans. We have 9 Youth, along with Paul Szymanski, our Youth Director and 3 other adult leaders and 1 young adult attending July 19-23. This is one of the largest Youth Gatherings in the country and helps to shape the faith of our Youth solidly in Jesus Christ.


**Stephen Ministry** - If you or someone you know could use a sister or brother in Christ to walk along with you through your current struggles, for as long as you need, please ask either Pastor about having a Stephen Minister partner with you in your journey.

**Altar Guild Members** - Please check your mailbox for the May schedule. Thank you.

**IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS  
THIS WEEK**

Betty Borrowdale, Tom Jennings,  
Patti Tucker, Lynn Patriarca,  
Marlene Steinhauer, Ethel Habel,  
Bob Hardy, Deaconess Lori Wilbert,  
Dale Neushwander , Family of  
Murad Jurishi, College Students –  
Ethan Pequette & Ava Pequette

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St. Paul Matteson – Summit  
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**MARY’S CORNER**

We all know the famous saying April showers bring May flowers. I do not know how you all feel but I cannot wait to see the spectacular show God has for us this year. Every year God puts on an amazing show of color and beauty just for us to enjoy. So put down your phones, shut your computers and televisions off, go outside and give God your appreciation of all His hard work.

TOGETHER BEING CHURCH	
Weekly	Needs Receiving
Current	\$8,852 \$12,361.65
Building Fund	\$577 \$510
Mission	\$327 \$273
Discretionary Fund-\$170; Scholarship Fund-\$275; St Matthews-\$20; Troops Care Packages-\$10; Youth Ministries-\$20; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$240;Food Pantry-\$90; Easter-\$1,950; National Youth Gathering-\$196.50; Lutheran Church Charities-\$500; Feed My Starving Children-\$40; Voice of Care-\$12.50; Good Friday-\$1,072; Maundy Thursday-\$906	