# THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S June 23 – 29

Sunday

9:00am Worship Service

10:30am Adult Bible Study (Meeting Room) 10:30am Bible Basics (Education Building)

Monday 2 Corinthians 13 (Daily Bible Reading)

12:30pm Prayer Shawl

6:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting – In person

Tuesday Judges 1 (Daily Bible Reading)
2:00pm Sunrise Retirement Home Worship

6:00pm Grief Share

Wednesday Judges 2 (Daily Bible Reading)

9:30am Bible Study

7:00pm Revelation Bible Study (In person & Zoom)

Thursday Judges 3 (Daily Bible Reading)

9:00am Quilting Group

6:30pm Summer Ladies Bible Study

Friday Judges 4 (Daily Bible Reading)

Saturday Judges 5 (Daily Bible Reading)

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

## 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2024

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading Job 38:1-11 p.561

Epistle 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 p. 1228

Holy Gospel Mark 4:35-41 *p.1068* 

**Altar Flowers** are given to the Glory of God.

#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Elder – Mike Najewski Acolyte – Alexa Szymanski Ushers – Don & Yvonne Blume

Music – Paul Szymanski & Song Leaders
Altar Guild –Shirley Adams & Marlene Steinhauer
Tech Team – Bill Miller & Mitch Troester

Counters for the weekend – Kathy Dahlman & John DeVries Sacred Grounds – George Kraus & Christy Miller & Family

**Next Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> - Make Noise for Missions Sunday:** Fill your pockets and purses with your spare change and support our Focus Mission – 2024 Alaska Mission Trip – and make some noise!

Color Guard-Veterans, we would like to honor you for your service to our country and ask you to serve as part of our Color Guard on Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, at our 9:00am service. If you would like to participate, contact Carol Schoeling at 815-469-5576 or call the church office.

**Ordination & Installation** - Vicar Larry Ruger will be ordained as Pastor Larry and installed as our Associate Pastor on **Sunday**, **July 7**<sup>th</sup> **in a separate worship at 3:30 p.m.** Please note that we will have our regular worship at the usual time of 9 a.m., along with the special worship at 3:30 p.m. There will be a light reception to follow.

**Save the Date** of Sunday, October 6 when we will celebrate Pastor Troester's 40th year in the ministry since ordination 1984. More details to follow.

Care Givers - For many years there is a group of members who each week send out a card or call one of our members, or someone who is not a member, who has a special need that week (illness, surgery, job issue, etc.). It's another level of care that is one step more than those on the Prayer Chain and a level below being a Stephen Minister. We need more Care Givers, so if you are interested in being one, please contact Pastor or the Church Office for more information.

Altar Guild Members -Please check your mailbox for the July schedule.

**Bible Basics Class –** Today we will discuss the history of Protestantism and in particular Martin Luther and the re-formation of the church. This class meets on Sundays after the worship service, and some fellowship time. Come and join us in the Education Building.

**Take A Book – Leave A Book – Share a Book –** Peggy Smutny & Ruth Treichel are turning the corner of the Narthex into a Lending Library. If you have a book around the house that you finished reading and think others would enjoy, bring it to the corner Lending Library. Please place the book in the black container, and we will put a bookmark in it and put it in a slot. There is no signing out of the books. If you want to read a book in the Lending Library, help yourself. If you want to pass the book on to someone else, feel free to do so. If you want to return the book to the Lending Library, deposit it in the black container.

**Financial Peace University** - We are gauging interest about starting up a class of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University in the fall. This is a great way to learn about handling finances and being intentional with your money. If you are interested, please sign up in the Narthex and see Paul Szymanski if you have any questions.

Support our Troops - Sponsored by Ladies Aid -The United States Military serves our country with character, dignity, and honor therefore as a congregation we support the chaplains who minister to the troops by sending snacks and hygiene items for the chaplains to share with the soldiers. Please shop for individually wrapped snack items such as beef jerky, tuna pouches, cookies, crackers, and hard candy. Basic hygiene items such as sunscreen, lip balm, tube lotion, toothbrushes, and toothpaste are also sent. You can write an undated message of appreciation or color a picture. Blank cards and coloring sheets can be found on the military table. If shopping or writing are not your thing you can support this ministry with your monetary donation by writing "troops" on the "other" line on the offering envelope.

Thank You - Diane & I are very thankful for all your prayers, text messages, emails, phone calls, visits and food while Diane is laid up. All these help in their own way and remind us of how blessed we are! Pastor T.

#### IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Sharon Hart, Vicar Larry, Lorrie Fitzpatrick, Janice Pikalek, Diane Troester, Peggy Smutny, Tammy Bosco, Elaine Schmeckpeper

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#### TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$27,155
Building Fund	\$577	\$420
Mission	\$327	\$105

Discretionary Fund-\$5,560; St. Matthews-\$5,010; Prison Ministry-Lori Wilbert-\$30; St Paul Alaska Mission Tripp-\$10; Sacred Grounds-\$19; VBS-\$94; Lutheran Church Charities-\$500

### MARY'S CORNER

A few years ago, a nurse did a study that revealed the 5 most regrets people have before they die. This may be some information that may help us or even change our lives.

- 1. They wished they pursued their dreams and aspirations, and not the life others expected of them.
- 2. They wished they did not work so hard.
- 3. They wished they had the courage to express their feelings and spoke their mind.
- 4. They wished they stood in touch with old friends.
- 5. They wished they had let themselves be happier.

The results seem to say, to die with very few regrets is to live life as if you are dying tomorrow.