

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S
August 25-September 1



ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
6201 Vollmer Road
Matteson, Illinois 60443
708-720-0880
www.stpaulsonline.org

Pastor Matthew Troester (708-772-3685)

Pastor Larry Ruger (630-742-7824)

Paul Szymanski – Youth Director

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

14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2024

Sunday
9:00am **Worship Service**
10:30am Adult Bible Study (Meeting Room)
10:30am Bible Basics (Education Building)

Monday
12:30pm **1 Samuel 29 (Daily Bible Reading)**
6:00pm Prayer Shawl
Stephen Ministry Meeting

Tuesday
2:00pm **1 Samuel 30 (Daily Bible Reading)**
6:00pm Sunrise Retirement Home Worship
Grief Share

Wednesday
9:30am **1 Samuel 31 (Daily Bible Reading)**
7:00pm Bible Study
Revelation Bible Study

Thursday
6:30pm **2 Samuel 1 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Ladies Summer Bible Study

Friday
7:00pm **2 Samuel 2 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Faith & Film Night – “Captain Fantastic”

Saturday
7:00am **2 Samuel 3 (Daily Bible Reading)**
Men’s Bible Study
No Food Pantry

Our 9:00am Service is from LSB, Divine Setting 1, page 151
Hymn of Invocation #822 “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”
Hymn of the Day #589 “Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens”
Distribution Hymn #865 “Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain”
#862 “Oh, Blest the House”

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 29:11-19 p.750
Epistle Reading Ephesians 5:22-33 p.1245
Holy Gospel Reading Mark 7:1-13 p.1071

Altar Flowers are given in thanks and praise to God and in honor of Ladies Aid.

SERVING THIS WEEK

Elder – George Kraus
Acolyte – Alexa Szymanski
Ushers – Don & Yvonne Blume
Organist – Pam Reinke

Altar Guild – Shirley Adams & Marlene Steinhauer
Tech Team – Scott Schulz, Mitch Troester & Jack Fleming
Counters for the weekend – Kathy Dahlgren & John DeVries
Sacred Grounds – Pauline Griffin & Peggy Smutny

Daily Bible Reading – The Bible is inspired by God and is useful for us in all things (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). Read your Bible together with fellow members, one chapter a day. There is a list of chapters to read each day on the back of this bulletin, and Pastor Troester has a short video each day to help you understand. You can find that video on our Facebook page or your favorite podcast site.

Bible Basics Class – How should we live? God tells us in the Bible. Join us at any time on Sundays after worship, meeting in the Education Building.

Mark your Calendar – Faith & Film Night – Friday, August 30th at 7:00pm featuring the movie “Captain Fantastic”.

Stain Glass Making – Saturday, September 14th at 1:00pm – We will have someone to lead us in a Stain Glass Making project. The project is involved so it will take about 4-5 hours to complete and the class is limited to 10 people. The cost is \$20 per person. Snacks will be provided but bring your own beverages. There is a sign-up sheet on the info table in the narthex.

College Corner Bulletin Board - We have a bulletin board to recognize our college students, include them in our weekly Sunday morning prayers, text a weekly Bible verse to them, and include a College Corner slide in our before-worship announcement slides. This is all very exciting but we need your help too! **We are asking for the names of children and grandchildren of our congregation members to include in our College Corner outreach ministry. There are sheets to fill out in the narthex.**

Adopt a Student - We will also need people willing to “adopt” a student each month. This will involve you jotting a short note on a provided card and donating a \$10 gift card to your adopted college student. We also request that you intentionally keep that student in your prayers. We're excited about the College Corner outreach ministry. Look for more details to come soon. If you have any questions, please speak with either Stacey Schmeckpeper or Kathy Johnson. Thank you.

Sunday School returns on September 8th. Join us from 10:30-11:30 a.m. each Sunday in the Prek room. All children age 3 to Grade 6 are welcome! Registration forms are available in the narthex or online on our website. *We Need YOU!* Substitute teachers are needed for Sunday School. If you can volunteer once every month or two to lead a small group of children in a Bible lesson, please contact Kate at homeschoolingmom@aol.com or Jayne at ivanderveide@mac.com.

Confirmation Classes start on Rally Day, Sunday, September 8th. Classes are for our young people grades 6, 7 & 8, and open to members and others who are interested. Talk to Pastor Troester or Pastor Larry for more information.

High School & Beyond Class – September 8th we will begin a new class for our high school & college age/younger adults during the Sunday School time. We will explore how our Christian worldview compare to the secular worldview and what we can do about it. We will meet in the youth room and dismiss at the same time as Confirmation/Sunday School. Any questions, please see Paul Szymanski.

Quarterly Mission Focus for August and September is St. Paul's Scholarship Fund. The Scholarship fund provides tuition assistance to members who are enrolled in synodical schools and pursuing full-time church work and also to families of members' children who are attending Lutheran Elementary Schools. Please support the work of the Scholarship Fund with your prayers and your offerings.

My Devotions for Kids - A daily devotional written to help make reading the Bible become a habit in a fun and easy way. Each devotion is accompanied by a daily Scripture passage, prayer, and Bible-related games and activities. Perfect for use at home, at school, or on the go! There are copies on the Information Table in the narthex, or order your own at cph.org

Altar Guild Members – Please check your mailboxes for the September schedule. If you have any questions, please contact Vivian at 708-748-8808. Thank you.


IN OUR HEARTS & PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Lorrie Fitzpatrick, Janice Pikalek, Diane Troester, Elaine Schmeckpeper, Steve Siezega, Irene Ruger, Sharon Hart

FOLLOW US ON

 St Paul Lutheran Church
St. Paul Matteson – Summit 4:12

 summit_412_stpaulmatteson

 @StPaulsMatteson

TOGETHER BEING CHURCH

Weekly	Needs	Receiving
Current	\$8,852	\$15,461.38
Building Fund	\$577	\$530
Mission	\$327	\$100
Discretionary Fund-\$2,210; Scholarship Fund-\$255; St. Matthews-\$2,010; Prison Ministry-Lori Wilbert-\$55; Troops Care Packages-\$25; LCC Comfort Dogs-\$30; St Paul Alaska Mission Trip-\$1,000; Sacred Grounds-\$10; Food Pantry-\$120; Prayer Shawl-\$50; Feed My Starving Children-\$40; National Youth Gathering-\$25		

MARY'S CORNER

Many people are trying to look younger by using many creams, fillers, botox and even considering surgery. As Christians we are so fortunate to know God created the most simplest way to get a facelift, a big smile. ☺