



# The Parish Pulse

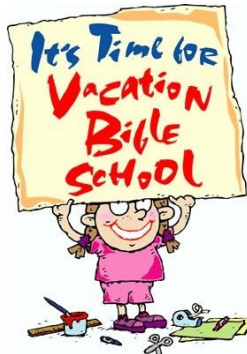
A monthly newsletter for friends and family of  
Our Saviour's Lutheran of Holway and  
St. Paul's Lutheran of Medford

July 2025



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**Wednesday,  
July 30**

A mystery tour is a trip where the destination and itinerary are kept secret from the participants until the very last moment. This year's Vacation Bible School is a Mystery and yes, it will be a "tour."

**Registration will begin at 7:45 a.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church or 8:00 a.m. at Our Saviour's.**

**Pick-up time is 3:45 p.m. for Our Saviour's and 4:00 p.m. for St. Paul's.**

Registration forms can be picked up at each church or you can use the registration link listed here.

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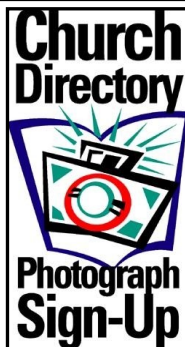
This year's VBS will be a one day event for children in grades PreK - 6. Children in grades 7-8 are welcome to participate also as mentors and helpers.

Indoor and outdoor activities are being planned, so please help your child dress accordingly. Snacks and a lunch will be provided throughout the day. If your child brings a water bottle, please have their name written on it.

A clue for you: David defeated the Phillistine giant Goliath, showing great courage and was appointed as a royal musician to King Saul. What courage and music will our David share with us? Come along and see!

**Please register by Monday, July 21.**

Anyone interested in helping with VBS and experiencing this Mystery Tour, please contact Barb at 715-965-5696 or [barbkrug@charter.net](mailto:barbkrug@charter.net)."



**Please don't wait to schedule your appointment.**

**St. Paul's dates:**

Tuesday - Saturday, July 15 - 19

**Our Saviour's dates:**

Tuesday & Wednesday, July 22 & 23

Register at: [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) or call 715-748-4909

Our Saviour's Username: wi413

Password: photos

St. Paul's

Username: wi411

Password: photos

### Our Saviour's Lutheran Church of Holway

W7809 Apple Avenue, Medford, WI 54451  
Phone 715-785-7975  
Website: oursavioursholway.com  
Facebook: Our Saviour's Lutheran Holway  
Email: secretary.saviourschurch@gmail.com  
Parish Secretary: Nancy Jones  
Office Hours: Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

### St. Paul's Lutheran Church

321 N. Park Avenue, Medford, WI 54451  
Phone 715-748-4909  
Website: www.stpaulsmedford.org  
Facebook: StPaulsMedford  
Email: stpaulslutheranmedford@gmail.com  
Parish Administrator: Nancy Jones  
Office Hours: M-W-F 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### For pastoral care emergencies, call the following:

Barb Krug: 715-965-5696, barbkrug@charter.net  
Pastor Bob Giese: 847-899-7122, rjgiese@gmail.com  
Pastor Nancy Amacher: 715-223-5316, revnia10@gmail.com

#### Sunday Services

**Our Saviour's Service: 8:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School 9:00 a.m.**

**St. Paul's Service 9:15 a.m.**

**Sunday School 9:15 a.m.**

Every 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 9:00 a.m. joint worship to be hosted on a rotating basis between Our Saviour's and St. Paul's. **Our next joint service is scheduled for Sunday, August 31, at St. Paul's.**

### Message from Barb Krug, SAM

Happy July and Happy Summer,

June has flown by or floated away, I'm not sure which, but it sure went fast.  
July is the time we think of vacations, warm sun and outdoor fun.

When we think of Jesus, we are reminded He did most everything outdoors.

As you fish this July, think about the stories you know about Jesus and the fish He allowed to fill nets and feed thousands of people. Can your catch benefit others?

As you swim this July, think about the baptisms performed by John the Baptist and the Great Commission given by Jesus to his disciples. "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19. Remember your baptism and the importance of spreading the Christian faith as a child of God. Can you be a disciple for Jesus and tell others about Him this summer?

As you eat over an open fire, remember the meal Jesus prepared of fish and bread over an open charcoal fire for his disciples by the Sea of Galilee after his resurrection. Will you invite others as Jesus did?

However you spend your July, remember Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is with you always. I encourage you to attend a worship service close to wherever you may be. It's a wonderful experience to worship with others!

God's blessings for a safe and happy July,  
Barb Krug - SAM

The Northwest Synod **WELCA**  
Chequamegon Conference will hold its Fall  
Rally on **October 4, 2025**. The rally will be at  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Ladies, mark your calendars! More info to follow.

Dawn Kasper-Harder, Coordinator



We are now offering the option to have *The Parish Pulse* sent to your email address. Please contact your church office if you would prefer to go paperless.

## 2025 JOINT PARISH FINANCIAL

	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD
<b>Income</b>													
OS Income	1906.96	1324.56	1693.50	1811.21	1545.44								8281.67
SP Income	3396.42	2190.82	2222.81	3932.96	2196.53								13939.54
Misc Incom		17.75			0.04								17.79
OS Lawn Inco				2820.00									2820.00
OS Jator Inco	782.84			782.84									1565.68
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>6086.22</b>	<b>3533.13</b>	<b>3916.31</b>	<b>9347.01</b>	<b>3742.01</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26624.68</b>
<b>Expenses</b>													
Joint (ex: checks, resources, tools, etc)		56.00											56.00
Workman C				910.00									910.00
SP Parish Adm	1132.35	1066.41	1118.92	1092.68	980.12								5390.48
OS Secretary	345.91	266.53	269.89	343.46	289.21								1515.00
OS Custodian			671.56										671.56
SP Custodian	169.41	153.34	171.85	179.79	171.85								846.24
OS Watchman	120.00	80.00	80.00	120.00	80.00								480.00
SAM	900.00	775.00	1045.00	1150.00	720.00								4590.00
Lay Leaders			150.00		150.00								300.00
SP Music	200.00	150.00	200.00	150.00	200.00								900.00
OS Music	150.00	225.00	375.00	300.00	300.00								1350.00
Pastor Bob	292.00	327.00		292.00	292.00								1203.00
Busin. Tax Reg													0.00
Pastor Nancy	286.12	286.12	286.12		286.12								1144.48
OS Lawn Care				2820.00									2820.00
State Quarterly	112.21			103.70									215.91
Fed Quarterly	1524.70			1662.55									3187.25
Misc Expense		17.75			40.00								57.75
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>5232.70</b>	<b>3403.15</b>	<b>4368.34</b>	<b>9124.18</b>	<b>3509.30</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>25637.67</b>

## OUR SAVIOUR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Mission Statement: Our mission is to share the love of Christ with each other, our community, and the world.**

### Church Council

President: Mike Kesling - shamumrk@yahoo.com (715-512-0498)  
 Vice President: Jason Borman - jason.borman@us.nestle.com (715-965-6058)  
 Secretary: Meagan Neitzel - meagan.neitzel@aol.com (715-562-0100)  
 Treasurer: Nancie Adams - adams710@tds.net (715-965-6959)  
 Paula Stroinski - paula.stroinski@gmail.com (715-965-2084)  
 Echo Buehler - echo.op14@tds.net (715-748-3928)  
 Clarice Zenner - claricezenner@yahoo.com (715-579-4445)  
 Barb Krug - barbkrug@charter.net (715-965-5696)

### June 2025 Attendance

June 1	26
June 8	19
June 15	28
June 22	31
June 29	Joint Service

### July 2025 Calendar for Our Saviour's

#### **Sunday Worship 8:00 a.m.**

<b>July 6</b>	Worship w/communion, Pastor Nancy Amacher
<b>July 13</b>	Worship w/communion, Barb Krug, SAM
<b>July 20</b>	Worship w/communion, Pastor Bob Giese
<b>July 22 &amp; 23</b>	Church directory photo sessions
<b>July 27</b>	Worship w/communion, Barb Krug, SAM
<b>July 30</b>	Vacation Bible School



Support the church missions by purchasing Scrip cards for many of your shopping needs: groceries, gasoline, clothing, entertainment, and / or gifts.

- 2024 we had over \$1500 total profit from our scrip sales
- 2025 -1st quarter profit was \$192
- 2025 1st quarter we donated \$100 to Community Mission with Jesus and \$186 to our Confirmation Class to support their goals to donate to the ELCA Good Gifts Ministries Program.

## **Our Saviour's Lutheran Church**

### **Memorial Meditation Garden at Our Saviour's**

Imagine a place in our beautiful cemetery where you can peacefully sit and meditate. Or visit with loved ones. The plan is for a 10x8 foot concrete slab poured over by the "Roy Jaslowski" cemetery directory sign. An 8-foot concrete bench is included in this original plan. This is proposed to be an ongoing project and memorial space. The cemetery association will have the final say in what can be placed in this space. This is an opportunity for members, past and present, to donate to this project. All donations, no matter how large or how small will be recognized in some way in the Garden.

If you would like to contribute to this Memorial Meditation Garden, please make checks payable to Our Saviour's and either hand deliver to Marian Nernberger or mail to:

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
Attn: Memorial Fund  
W7809 Apple Ave.  
Medford, WI 54451

Thanking you in advance for your contributions.

God's blessings!



### **Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes**

June 18, 2025

Attendees: Barb K, Clarice Z, Meagan N, Nancie A, Echo B, Paula S,

Meeting called to order: 5:54 p.m.

Our Mission Statement was recited.

Echo made a motion to approve the agenda as written. It was seconded by Paula. Motion carried.

Echo made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as printed for May. It was seconded by Clarice. Motion carried.

Paula made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. It was seconded by Echo. Motion carried.

#### **Education and Youth**

VBS will be on July 30<sup>th</sup>.

The theme is a Mystery Theme and information has been sent to the youth.

Helpers are still needed.

#### **Property**

Kurt is looking to donate the work he did.

Kurt and Jim will come and do the basement lights.

#### **WELCA**

Ladies Dinner will be at Cindy's at 5:00 p.m. on June 26.

#### **Worship**

The joint service will be at the Holway Townhall at 9:30 on June 29. Service will be led by Breaking Chains with a picnic to follow.

We will meet on Saturday, June 28, at 3:00 p.m. to help set up.

#### **Old Business**

Basement walls should be completed within the next week or so.

Looking to add something in the newsletter explaining how individuals can donate to the meditation area in the cemetery.

Saint Paul's switched to Hastings Mutual for insurance. Nancie will look into this to see if it would be comparable for Our Saviour's to switch as well.

Echo made a motion to replace the current altar candles with LED candles. It was seconded by Nancie. Motion carried.

Barb will research and order the new candles.

Echo made a motion to cancel the July and August council meetings (unless an emergency meeting is needed).

It was seconded by Nancie. Motion carried.

Reminder to sign up for the Church Directory appointments in July.

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## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

(Our Saviour's Council minutes continued from the previous page.)

We will reconvene on donation topics after the final second quarter totals are in for the Script sales.

### New Business

Nancie will review the mission investment CD and send out information prior to the September meeting.

Next Meeting: September 17, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Paula made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Echo. Motion carried.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer at 6:43 p.m.

## Our Saviour's May Financial Report: 2025

### EXPLANATIONS:

This report shows the normal, ongoing bills that are paid on a regular basis each month. I have detailed the Income, as well as the line items expenses. Nancie

#### Income Section:

General	\$4872.40
Hunger	\$360.00
Special offerings/In-Out	\$215.00(\$20.00 donation to Cemetery, \$195.00 refund from Raise/Right
Scrip	\$2250.00 cards that we didn't get)

TOTAL INCOME: **\$7697.40**

#### Expense Section

Benevolence	\$193.56(to NW Synod of WI General Mission Support – 4%
Hunger	\$360.00(to Northwest Synod of WI for ELCA World Hunger
Special Offering/In-Out	\$20.00(cemetery association)
Internet Service (Clark Electric)	\$61.94
Phone (TDS)	\$32.97
Electricity (Taylor Electric)	\$149.89
Dumpster (GFL Environmental)	\$59.99
LP Gas (Budget-Medford Coop)	\$286.00
Insurance (Church Mutual)	\$509.10
Worship/Dev/Resources	\$22.99(wine)
Newsletter Postage	\$29.79
Payroll	\$521.38(watchman \$80.00--sec \$441.38)
Church Administrator	\$200.00
Supply Pastors	\$524.06
Music (Organist)	\$300.00
Copier Lease (E.O. Johnson)	\$128.14
Education	\$43.68(crosses for confirmation students)
VANCO charge	\$5.95
Script Cards	\$3179.00(Co. Market \$1152.00, Raise Right \$2027.00)

TOTAL EXPENSES: **\$6628.44**

Savings Account: **\$8805.66**

Script sales profit for May \$221.00 Current Inventory \$5200

<u>Mission Investment Fund:</u>	Term Investment Fixed 4 Year – 3847Rate 1.49%	Matures 9/24/2025
	12/31/2024 Balance: \$16,937.53	
	Interest 03/31/2025 <u>\$62.31</u>	
	<b>New Balance \$16,999.84</b>	

# Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

## Our Saviour's Treasurer's Report for May, 2025

INCOME - Our Saviour's	May	YTD 2025		
General	4,872.40	24,537.57		
Hunger	360.00	1,450.00		
Sunday School/VBS/Camp		250.00		
Change the World/Special Offering	215.00	1,445.00		
Scrip	2,250.00	13,975.00		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>7,697.40</b>	<b>41,657.57</b>		
Expenses:	May	YTD	Monthly/Budget	Year/Budget
Benevolence	193.56	975.08	250.00	3,000.00
Hunger In/Out	360.00	1,450.00	0.00	
Special Offering In/Out	20.00	1,461.00	0.00	
Internet Service	61.94	309.70	62.50	750.00
Phone	32.97	140.07	60.42	725.00
Electricity	149.89	819.33	166.67	2,000.00
LP Gas	286.00	1,430.00	333.33	4,000.00
Dumpster - GFL	59.99	197.74	58.33	700.00
Holding Tanks		0.00	20.83	250.00
Snow Plowing		562.50	100.00	1,200.00
Janitor Supplies		93.82	18.75	225.00
Clear Country Water Solutions		0.00	18.75	225.00
Building Repairs/Maintenance		514.67	83.33	1,000.00
Worship/Devotionals/Resources	22.99	94.86	50.00	600.00
Organ/Piano Maintenance		115.00	25.00	300.00
Insurance	509.10	2,545.50	508.33	6,100.00
Office & Computer Supplies/parts/ink		594.47	25.00	300.00
Postage and Stamps		0.00	16.67	200.00
Computer Maintenance/Repair		0.00	16.67	200.00
Treasurer Supplies		87.59	8.33	100.00
Newsletter Postage	29.79	181.12	37.50	450.00
Copier Lease	128.14	640.70	125.00	1,500.00
Supply Pastors	524.06	2,511.24	600.00	7,200.00
Conference Dues		0.00	3.33	40.00
Assembly Delegates		150.00	41.67	500.00
Joint Account** see notes below		0.00	41.67	500.00
Payroll-Secretary-Property Manager	521.38	3,340.43	650.00	7,800.00
Website		155.88	16.67	200.00
Music	300.00	1,534.52	325.00	3,900.00
Leadership Training		0.00	83.33	1,000.00
Education (Adult, Confirmation, Sunday School, VBS)	43.68	43.68	83.33	1,000.00
Background Checks		0.00	8.33	100.00
Camping Funds		0.00	33.33	400.00
Pastorial Admin	200.00	1,000.00	200.00	2,400.00
Miscellaneous- Special Events		65.64	41.67	500.00
Scrip Cards	3,179.00	16,270.30	0.00	
VANCO Charge	5.95	31.60	0.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>6,628.44</b>	<b>37,316.44</b>	<b>4,072.08</b>	<b>49,365.00</b>
Checking Account:			Savings Account:	8,804.94
Camping Fund	873.54		Deposit	0.72
Sunday School/VBS	1,822.53		Total	8,805.66
General	54,845.12			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57,541.19</b>	<i>Submitted By:</i>	<i>Nancie Adams,</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>

## July 2025 Worship Assistants

*July Altar Guild: Echo Buehler & Paula Stroinski*

DATE	MESSAGE	USHERS	LITURGIST	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	COUNTERS	ACOLYTE
<b>July 6</b>	Nancy Amacher	Heidi & Mike Kesling	Meagan Neitzel	Heidi Bower Kesling		Stormie Dums
<b>July 13</b>	Barb Krug	Paula Stroinski Echo Buehler		Paula Stroinski	Paula Stroinski Echo Buehler	Brycen Larson
<b>July 20</b>	Bob Giese	Marian & Ken Nernberger	Marian Nernberger		Marian Nernberger	Breckyn Klemm
<b>July 27</b>	Barb Krug	Karen & Harry Frosch		Karen Frosch	Karen Frosch	Jordyn Bottlemey



**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**A Message from St. Paul's Council President—Heidi Haynes**

Summer is flying by! The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is upon us, and I am sure many of you have plans for being outside and with family and friends. For my family it means a weekend off from baseball and a weekend of camping. Cookouts and watching fireworks is a great way to celebrate. It is also a time to express our gratitude for our freedoms and the blessings they bring.

Vacation Bible School is this month and coming fast! Wednesday July 30<sup>th</sup> will be a day of mystery and fun! Make sure to sign up your kids and grandkids. Registration can be made through the church office or online.

It has been 10 years since St. Paul's has had an updated directory. Having a directory with photographs of our members and their families is a valuable tool for connection within our church and with Our Saviour's church. It helps individuals to put faces to names, which can enhance relationships and encourage engagement among members. Our hope is that everyone gets their picture taken and we can have all members in the directory. The picture is taken with no cost to you. Life is busy but we hope you all take advantage of this opportunity so we can have a complete church directory. Reach out to Nancy at 715-748-4909 or any council member with any questions.

2 Corinthians 3:17 - Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 - Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

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**Needles For Needs**

We have been working on Lutheran World Relief Quilts for the past month now & things are moving quickly. We have over 110 quilts done for the year so far. We've come to the end of our batting supply again, so two more rolls are on their way as we speak, which will keep us "in business" for about a month and a half or so. We have just a bit over 3 months to go until it's quilt blessing time again!

As always, please keep a lookout for flat cotton or cotton-poly blend flat sheets when you're out at garage sales & thrifting - we use one as a backing on every quilt we make! And speaking of supplies.... We want to give a huge THANK YOU to the family of Deb Metz for entrusting us with her quilt supplies! We have no doubt that many people will be a little bit warmer because of her fabric. I have to say too - it was really impressive to see how incredibly organized she was - nearly every piece of fabric was labeled by size! The amount of repurposing she did was also equally impressive - we will be able to make many quilts with the squares made from men's shirts. While I'm not nearly that organized, I can see how she was able to create so many things from her stash. Thank you again for sharing her fabrics with us!!

As always, we welcome everyone to come join us on Tuesdays from 9-2 throughout the year. Have an hour or three? Come visit and see what we are all about! No quilting experience necessary!

Thanking God for his bountiful blessings!  
Tonya Albers

**St. Paul's Ladies Lunch Bunch**

**Wednesday, July 16**

**Location: Uncommon Ground**

118 S Main St., Medford

**Time: 11:15 AM**

**All women welcome.**

Please contact  
Michelle Danen at  
715 748-4397 if you'd  
like to be involved.



St Paul's will be having a Church Rummage Sale in August. A confirmed date has not been set yet. This will be held on a Sunday after church services. We are going through closets, etc., to purge what has not been used for a very long time and to be more organized. Only items from church will be on sale. NO PERSONAL ITEMS ARE TO BE BROUGHT IN. It will be a free will offering.

Any questions, please contact Dawn Harder.

### July 2025 St. Paul's Worship Assistants

DATE	MESSAGE	LITURGIST	COMMUNION SETUP	COMMUNION ASSISTANT
JULY 6	Nancy Amacher	Gail Heurung	Kathy & Dan Higgins	Marguerite Jochimsen
JULY 13	Barb Krug	Dawn Harder	Jo Cypher	Kim Gasek
JULY 20	Bob Giese	Tony Schumacher	Kathy & Dan Higgins	Kathy Higgins
JULY 27	Barb Krug	Cathy Retzer	Kathy & Dan Higgins	Chris Konieczny

#### The Mobile Food Pantry served 93 households on June 20, 2025.

73 individuals ages 0-17  
 99 individuals ages 18-59  
 75 individuals ages 60+  
 247 total number of individuals

First visits in 2025 = 41

#### The next Mobile Food Pantry will be on Thursday, July 17, 2025.

Volunteers meet at 1:00 p.m.  
 Distribution begins at 4:00 p.m.

Feed My People delivered 935 pounds of food. Food distributed included: bread, bakery, spaghetti sauce, miscellaneous frozen, miscellaneous cooler, miscellaneous produce, cereal, watermelon, snack chips, ground beef, sausage, macaroni & cheese, tuna, and canned corn.

If you would like to help sponsor the food pantry, simply make out your check to **St. Paul's Lutheran Church** and include "**food pantry**" in the memo line. Business and individual sponsors are welcome.

Thank you to **The Medford Rotary Club** for sponsoring the June Mobile Food Pantry and to the volunteers that came to help distribute the food.

### July 2025 Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### BIRTHDAY

July 1 Bradley Carstensen  
 July 2 Kim Gasek  
 July 3 Jack Machon  
 July 4 Nicole Homeyer  
 July 7 Logan Egle  
 Staci Egle  
 July 8 Craig Krug  
 Rayna Rodman  
 July 9 Alli Ranum  
 Sophie Sperl  
 July 10 Jill Lybert  
 Gretta Tlusty  
 July 11 Dan Higgins  
 July 13 Brock Anderson  
 July 14 Sada Carstensen  
 Cassandra Peterson

#### BIRTHDAY

July 14 Ernest Woods  
 July 15 Patty Lubahn  
 July 16 Ryan Hillebrand  
 Sydney Sperl  
 Lori Willner  
 July 18 Eric Melvin  
 July 19 Shannon Emmerich  
 Katie Razink  
 July 20 Donna Albers  
 Megan Melvin  
 July 20 Matthew Razink  
 Sarah Schreiner  
 July 21 Nicole Anderson  
 Chad Emmerich  
 Kari Rappe  
 Sandra Schreiner

#### BIRTHDAY

July 22 Sophie Brost  
 Kay Halopka  
 July 23 Anna Konrad  
 July 27 Sean Anderson  
 July 28 Phyllis Widmer  
 July 29 Trista Shore  
 July 30 Bruce Brunner  
 Laynee Kalmon

#### ANNIVERSARIES

July 1 Lisa & Gary Walworth  
 Vanessa & Ryan Hillebrand  
 July 4 Staci & Kevin Egle  
 July 5 Kathy & Tony Schumacher

#### ANNIVERSARIES

July 7 Melissa & Ryan Pilgrim  
 July 8 Erin & Vince Wojcik  
 July 11 Kathy & Ross Hackbarth  
 July 13 Ann Knox Bauer & John Bauer  
 July 15 Valerie & Darrell Higgins  
 Debra & Lanny Dassow  
 July 22 Joan & Jason Steliga  
 July 23 Michelle & Brock Kalmon  
 July 26 Jo & Dennis Cypher  
 July 30 Sue & Dean Emmerich  
 July 31 Kathy & Kurt Alexander



The choir will be taking a break during the months of July and August.

#### June 2025 Attendance

June 1 68  
 June 8 34  
 June 15 44  
 June 22 41  
 June 29 Joint Service



To Kathy & Dan Higgins for sponsoring the July Newsletter.



**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**June 11, 2025**

Council Members present: Dave Hruby, Heidi Haynes, Tony Schumacher, Marie Koerner, Carrie Zirngible, Dawn Harder, Chris Konieczny, and Amber Fettes. Guests: Nancy Jones and Barb Krug

The meeting was called to order by Heidi at 6:00 p.m.

Barb opened with a prayer.

Marie made a motion, seconded by Dave to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

Amber made a motion, seconded by Chris to approve council minutes from May. Motion carried.

**Business of the church:**

Tony made a motion, seconded by Chris to approve the Treasurer report. Motion carried.

Nothing new to report from the Financial Secretary

Barb Krug, SAM encouraged everyone to attend the Joint worship service on June 29<sup>th</sup> at the Holway Town Hall where the musical group Breaking Chains will be conducting the service. Potluck meal to follow.

A joint VBS will be held on July 30. A little bit of Mystery is involved, and travel will be part of the day.

Sign up can be made through the church offices or online at <https://forms.gle/sPDnJj5cvqYXDWgp6>.

As a group, we went outside to look at the Front Garden. The rocks have been removed. It was discussed on which bushes should be removed. Dirt will be brought in this fall yet. Planting will be done in the spring.

No date has been set for a churchwide garage sale yet, but sometime in August is anticipated.

Jean Flood, with the Beds From Christ program asked if St. Paul's would be interested in taking over the program that was started through the Methodist Church. She will be stepping down and the Methodist Church will not be continuing this program. No one from St. Paul's has offered to lead this program. Jean will try to contact other service groups to see if there is any interest.

Lynn Glamann, Kyle Firnstahl, Marguerite Jochimsen and Cathy Retzer are the committee heading up the Church Membership Photo Directory. They have met twice and have tasks sorted out. Sign-ups are coming in, but slowly. We were reminded to tell everyone to sign up. Some members told Nancy they didn't care if they were in the directory or not, but we would like to remind them that it is a record of our members, and their participation would be appreciated.

Heidi left the meeting at this time. Tony continued to conduct the meeting.

The Joint Parish Council has three members from each congregation. Val has stepped down from that council when her term ended on the church council. Justin Zirngible has expressed interest in wanting to join the Joint Council. A discussion followed that it is nice to have a council member as one of the members on the joint council to share information more readily. No decision was made.

\$2500.00 for Benevolence will be sent in as was already approved by the council at the beginning of the year.

**New Business:**

Dawn asked for permission to host the Fall Rally for Chequamegon Conference for the Women of the ELCA to be held on October 4. The council had no objections to this.

Marie presented the first draft of an Agreement for Long and Short - Term Use of the church. A discussion followed with a few suggestions on changes and additions. Marie will fine tune this and bring it back at our next meeting.

A motion was made by Amber and seconded by Dave to reimburse \$200.00 per participant, for each of the two years of Lay School and up to three participants per year. Motion carried. Dawn will begin Lay School this fall.

Emergency Pastoral Contacts remain the same. (Call in This Order):

Barb Krug 715-965-5696

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Pastor Nancy Amacher 715-223-5316

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## St. Paul's Lutheran Church

(St. Paul's Council minutes continued from the previous page.)

A motion was made by Chris and seconded by Amber to eliminate this July's council meeting. Motion carried.

Our next meeting will be on August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Marie made a motion, seconded by Dawn to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Motion carried.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Krug in Gail's absence.

## St. Paul's Treasurer's Report for May, 2025

	2025		2024		YTD % of Change
	May	YTD	May	YTD	
Total General Giving	8,795	54,853	10,163	56,532	-3.0%
General Expenses	11,302	33,863	11,043	47,574	-28.8%
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$2,507)</b>	<b>\$20,990</b>	<b>(\$3,662)</b>	<b>(\$4,953)</b>	
Designated Giving	441	11,858	5,739	24,542	-51.7%
Designated Giving - Building	695	11,785			
Total Designated Giving	1,136	23,643	5,739	24,542	
Designated Expenses	1,079	9,645	5,615	54,179	-82.2%
Designated Expenses - Building	906	906			
Total Designated Expenses	1,985	10,552	5,615	54,179	
<b>Net Designated Income</b>	<b>(850)</b>	<b>13,091</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>(29,637)</b>	
Interest Income	\$143	677	\$162	687	
<b>Net Combined Income (Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$3,214)</b>	<b>\$34,758</b>	<b>(\$3,375)</b>	<b>(\$33,903)</b>	

Bank Accounts - As of:	5/31/25	YTD Change	Comments
Fund in SPOS Joint Checking	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
General Checking	\$202,379	\$21,736	\$150,718
Designated Funds in Checking		\$0	
Building Fund	13,034	\$11,674	0
Comfort Quilts	1,049	\$323	726
Community Benevolence Fund	133	\$0	116
Designated Memorials	4,290	\$150	4,953
Fair Trade Sales	366	(\$111)	566
Thrivent Choice	1,952	\$722	1,071
Mobile Food Pantry	10,322	\$410	10,061
Sunday School	735	(\$177)	912
Youth Group	11,602	\$30	11,469
<b>Total Funds in Checking</b>	<b>\$246,862</b>	<b>\$34,758</b>	<b>\$181,593</b>
<u>Other Accounts</u>			
Events/Fund Raiser Acct	3,170	5	3,326
Needles for Needs Acct	1,618	229	1,871
Scrip Acct	2,363	(7,410)	8,241
<b>Total Other Accounts</b>	<b>\$7,151</b>	<b>-\$7,177</b>	<b>\$13,439</b>
<b>Total - All Accounts</b>	<b>\$254,013</b>	<b>\$27,581</b>	<b>\$195,032</b>
Mortgage Balance		\$0	111776.07

2025 Pastor Expense - Budgeted \$67,960  
 2025 YTD Supply Pastor Expense \$3,726

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### Mission Statement:

Saved and strengthened by Christ, we proclaim God's love through worship, education,  
and service to our congregation, community, and the world.

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## July 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs	<b>9</b> No Church Council this month	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 9:15 am. Worship / Communion	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs	<b>16</b> 11:15 a.m. Ladies Lunch Bunch	<b>17</b> 1:00-5:00 p.m. Mobile Food Pantry	<b>18</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>19</b>
		← SP Church Photo Directory Sessions →				
<b>20</b> 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion	<b>21</b> 6:00 p.m. WELCA meeting	<b>22</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6:00 p.m. AA Meeting	<b>26</b>
		OS Church Photo Directory Sessions				
<b>27</b> 9:15 a.m. Worship / Communion 6:00 p.m. Suicide Support	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 9:00 a.m. Needles for Needs	<b>30</b> 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. VBS	<b>31</b>		

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### July 2025

#### **Sunday Worship**

Our Saviour's Worship - 8:00 a.m.  
St. Paul's Worship - 9:15 a.m.

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