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Worship Opportunities

Please share with friends and family - all are welcome! Links can also be found on our website here: https://stpaulsyorkst.org/.

Saturday 5:00 pm in the Lounge

Sunday 9:30 am in the Sanctuary and live on Facebook

Bulletins: https://stpaulsyorkst.org/sunday-bulletin

Pastor Katrina may be reached at 301-401-3667 and PastorKatrinaHolland@gmail.com.

Congregation News

Congregation Conversations with Pastor Katrina

Please join us following worship this **Sunday** as we continue our Congregation Conversation with Pastor Katrina in the fellowship hall. Your input is extremely important during this time in our congregation's faith journey. As we look toward our next chapter of ministry, we are reflecting, sharing and exploring our identity and purpose as a congregation. Reflecting on where we have been and where God may lead us in the future will lead to the best fit in our upcoming call.

Coffee Hour

Will be held in Fellowship Hall this Sunday, (April 28), immediately following the 9:30 Worship Service. Join us for a time of fellowship.

SPYKids will meet briefly today following worship and then join the rest of the congregation for "Conversations" in Fellowship Hall.

Youth Gathering Yard Sale

This Saturday (8-1 on the church lawn; inside if the weather doesn't cooperate)! Youth will have a small concession stand at the sale. Come for a light lunch and look to support our efforts and then see if you can find other treasures from our vendors! TODAY is the last day to reserve a table to sell items. See Michelle Johnson for more info.

Congregational Meeting

Will be held on Sun., May 5th, immediately following Worship to approve recommendations from the Building Renovation Task Force.

Geranium's For Pentecost

Order forms are located beside the worship bulletins. You can purchase a geranium(s) to keep for yourself or donate back to St. Paul's to be planted outside on the church grounds. The geranium sponsorships will be listed in the Pentecost Sunday bulletins. Please plan on picking up the plant(s) after the 9:30 a.m. service on May 19th or consider donating them to St. Paul's to plant outside. **Order deadline is Sunday, April 30th.**

Summer Book Study Opportunity!

While *Blue Like Jazz*, by Donald Miller, is driven by topics such as God, Sin, Belief, Faith, Redemption, Jesus and so on, the book is entirely narrative, told as one Christian's personal faith story. *Blue Like Jazz* speaks of what it feels like to have a relationship with God, and what the nature of sin and desire to be forgiven feel like, without complicated theological jargon.

Join us **Tuesday evenings at 7pm** in the Theater Room. The book study will run from **May 28 - August 6** (skipping July 2). We will discuss two chapters each session. Since each chapter of the book can stand alone, you don't need to attend every discussion. Please sign up by May19th on the bulletin board outside pastor's office or call the church office so we can order your book!

Family Camp is Open To All!

Camp is not just for our youth and families...it's for EVERYONE!!! A group of us is planning on attending Family Camp Aug. 4-7, and we wanted to invite everyone in our church family! Congregation Council has agreed to pay for each member to attend a week of camp, so your lodging, food, and programming will be free to you if you have not already gone to a week of camp over the summer. You are welcome to stay for the entire week, but please know some of us will only be staying for the first half of the week. This could be the start of a great St. Paul's tradition! All camp registration forms should be given to Carmen in the church office. Contact Laura Silver, our Camp Person, for registration questions at silverlkw@hotmail.com or Bill or Deb Sowers with program questions.

Spring Clean Up!

Property committee invites you to join us **Saturday, May 4th, from 9am till noonish**. We will be doing gardening and cleaning up around the outside of the church building. Please join us as "many hands make light work".

Help Requested for Garden Care

Spring has arrived, bringing on the season of flower bed care. Maintaining our church flower beds gives the entire campus a welcoming and neat appearance, but it is certainly time-consuming for Mike Buckley, our Maintenance Technician. When parishioners volunteer to help Mike with these chores, it takes the burden off him plus saves payroll dollars. Would you like to help? Any time until late Fall? You can bring your equipment or use the church's equipment. If so, please contact Mike via email to make arrangements, mtechstpauls@gmail.com, or call the church office and ask for Mike.

April Special Designated Giving - World Food Programme for Gaza

The United Nations World Food Programme has launched emergency operations to provide Gaza families with food assistance. More than 2 million people in Gaza urgently need food. 1 in 6 children under 2 are acutely malnourished. WFP is distributing fresh bread, canned food and ready-to-eat meals to those in shelters. \$75 can provide a family with food for an entire month; please give what you can. The WFP has received a 90% Four Star Rating from Charity Navigator. Make your check payable to St. Paul's with a footnote for WFP Gaza.

Men In Mission

Meeting at Perkins, Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 am.

Gathering News

MANDATORY GATHERING PARENT MEETING will be held next Sunday following the Congregational Meeting. We'll meet in the THEATER.

This Week's Calendar

Friday, April 26th

9:00 am Grocery Ministry Prep

Saturday, April 27th

8:00 am Youth Gathering Yard Sale

9:00 am Grocery Ministry (Council)

9:00 am Men in Mission

5:00 pm Worship Service

Sunday, April 28th

8:30 am Radio Broadcast - 95.3 FM & 1280 AM

9:30 am Worship Service

10:30 am SPYKids

10:45 am Congregational Conversations with Pastor Katrina

Coffee Hour in the fellowship hall following worship

Monday, April 29th

6:30 pm Girl Scouts

7:00 pm Something's Brewing Bible Study

Tuesday, April 30th

10:00 am Gospel of Mark Bible Study

Wednesday, May 1

6:00 pm Christian Education Committee meeting
7:00 pm Worship and Music Committee meeting

Upcoming Events

April 27th Youth Gathering Yard Sale

April 28th Congregation Conversations with Pastor Katrina following worship

May 5th Congregational Meeting following worship

October 11 - 13 Sisters in Faith annual retreat

Sponsorships Available

Please contact Maureen Kaltreider in the church office or at finance@stpaulsyorkst.org

Radio-May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers- May 26, June 2 & 16 (2 vases at \$20 each) June 9 & 23 (1 vase at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine- May 12, 19, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins- May 5, 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame- May 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (\$10 each date)

Information

Growing Together

In April's "Growing Together" column on <u>Living Lutheran</u>, Kimberly Knowle-Zeller shares tips, practices, prayer and more to encourage families to grow in faith together.

Inhale: God, you are with me. Exhale: Let me feel your love.

Read the full article: https://www.livinglutheran.org/2024/04/be-brave/

In Case You Missed It

Sunday Worship Link: https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsyorkst/videos

Last Week's Happenings and Reminders: https://stpaulsyorkst.org/happenings-and-reminders

Evangel: https://stpaulsyorkst.org/evangel-newsletter-1

Meet Your 2024 Congregation Council Members

President - Frank Hueske

Vice-President - Russ Kaltreider

Secretary - Linda Zellers

Treasurer – Sherry Cracium-Bolin

Sharon Bortner, Amy Feeser, Russ Kaltreider, Donna Lehman, Dave Maus, Pat McConville, Ginny Murray, Cindy Schmidt, Peg Sennett, Nancy Smith

Where Is It?

On the bulletin board outside of the Pastor's office is a **List of Equipment and Supplies** available for St Paul's events and ministries. There are 72 items listed that can be used for your ministries, everything from: Art supplies, Wheeled Dollies for moving large items, Ladders, Tents and Canopies, A-frames for promoting an event, sewing items for a youth project, and equipment including a Projector, Flip Chart, White Board, Music Stands, etc. When you need an item for an event or ministry, please check the posted List before making a new purchase.

Restroom Change

At the December meeting Council moved to convert the men's restroom on the main floor to a family restroom. This bathroom can now be used by a woman, a man or a parent with children. The light switch is on the wall outside the restroom and the light with be red if the bathroom is in use. It is always best to knock before entering just in case the occupant forgot to lock the door.

Reaching Out - To Whom Do We Go?

CALL the church office at 717.637.5941 for things like:

- Scheduling room or building use
- If you've had a change in name, address, phone number or email
- To be added to the church email and communications lists to receive weekly, monthly and special notice communications

- For guidance in contacting ministry team leaders or teams for questions or matters specific to that team
- If there's a building issue and you don't know who to call

CALL Pastor directly at 301.401.3667 if you:

- Desire a pastoral visit
- Have a medical concern, procedure or hospitalization and desire a visit or to be added to the prayer list
- Have spiritual questions you wish to discuss
- Wish to schedule a celebration such as baptism or wedding
- Have suffered a loss in the family and desire funeral planning and grief care