

ST. PAUL VISITOR
JUNE 2024

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AT 10:00AM FOR
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The Mission Of St. Paul
Evangelical Lutheran
Church Is To Celebrate
And Proclaim To All The
Saving Grace Of Jesus
Christ In Word And
Deed.

ALL ARE
WELCOME
HERE 

FATHER'S DAY SCHOLARSHIPS

Again, this year we are offering you the opportunity to honor the important men in your life by giving to the "Camp Luther" Scholarship fund. This fund is used each year to help out our families who are sending their kids to camp. St. Paul strives to pay half of the camp tuition for each child who attends. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund in honor of or in memory of the men of faith in your life, i.e. your father, brother, uncle, etc. please fill out the form in the bulletin and put it in the offering plate along with your check made out to St. Paul. Please write "Camp Luther Scholarship" on the memo line.



There is a suggested donation of \$10. A list of donors and recipients will be listed in the bulletin on Father's Day.

Cards for you to give to the recipient will be available in the narthex beginning in June.

Forms must be turned in by Sunday, June 9 to be listed in the bulletin.



NOISY OFFERING FOR ELCA WORLD HUNGER

Start collecting your change!! Beginning in June, on the first Sunday of each month our youth will collect a "noisy offering" in celebration of ELCA World Hunger's 50th Anniversary.

Your change can make a big change for those who are hungry!

Pastor's Reflections

As a part of my daily devotional time in the morning I have a Gratitude Journal that Kathy bought for me for Christmas. It has a space for every day and places to write the things that you are grateful for in life. Sometimes the things I am grateful for are the basics of life. You know air to breathe – lungs to help me breathe, feet to walk every morning for my daily exercise. Stuff like this.

The journal also has a place where the writer is encouraged to write about something specific. A couple of weeks ago I was encouraged to write five things about why I like the outdoors. Again, I wrote down simple stuff: Roads to walk on, Birds that sing in the morning (my ever-elusive cardinal and sometimes a woodpecker).

The journal has helped me to refocus my life. During COVID lockdown I became anxious and went into a depression. It made me scared and wondering about life and life stuff. I still struggle with this a bit. Here is the thing: I knew I had to find **Good News** and find it daily. I found a web site called gratitude.org and now I get a daily gratitude in my email inbox. It is wonderful. I also read a book by Dinna Butler Bass called Gratitude. Butler Bass is one of my favorite authors.

One of the daily gratitude's I have on my desk here at church. **No amount of regret changes the past. No amount of anxiety changes the future. ANY amount of gratitude changes the present. (Ann Voskamp)**

I like that. It is why I have taken up the gratitude banner. I will say that sometimes this is hard to see. Here is where God – Father/ Son/ Holy Spirit helps and guides and comforts me.

So as the summer months wane on I would encourage you during your summer activities to be people of gratitude. I know it helps me to write things down. You might need to do this also.

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor KLM <><

We have five youth who will be attending Camp Luther this summer along with Norma Gensler.

The campers are:

Katie Dowis

Alex Mackey

Cameron May

Zoe McMillion (granddaughter of Dale and Susan Kelz)

Kevin Vickers



As in past years we will be handing out Camp Cards on Sunday, June 16. Each card will have a camper's name and address. You are asked to pray specifically for that camper. You may also send them a card at camp, if you wish. Please mail your cards no later than Monday, June 17 since Wednesday is a holiday.

Dear St. Paul Congregation,

I would like to cordially invite you to a guitar solo recital in our beautiful sanctuary at St. Paul with Dr. Júlio Ribeiro Alves, professor of guitar at Marshall on Sunday, June 9, at 3 pm. The performance should last around one hour. Dr. Alves is a wonderful musician and I hope you can attend!

The praise band “Render the Hearts” has agreed to play for our Worship and picnic at Ritter Park again on September 15. The band consists of local former Marshall students and has enriched our open-air service in the park and the picnic afterwards in previous years. We are glad to welcome them back!

As always, the choir takes a well-deserved break after Holy Trinity for the summer months. I want to say a heartfelt Thank You to every member – it is really a very special group.

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Once in a while, I’d like to share with you some details of my work at St. Paul. Here are three curiosities from the life of a church organist:

At the piano, we read two musical staves at the same time (set of 5 horizontal lines with 4 spaces in between, each line and space representing a pitch). The upper 5 lines are for the right hand, the lower 5 for the left hand. When playing the organ, there is an additional, third staff at the bottom, for the notes played by the feet on the pedal keyboard. It is commonsense that this would result in increased coordination difficulties, but the fun detail here is that the left hand wants to do what the feet are doing. Apparently, the non-dominant hand is linked to the feet. Especially for a pianist whose left hand is trained to follow the bottom system and playing the bass, this requires “mental rewiring”. I don’t think I have ever experienced comparable situations in which I need to actively retrain my body control against intuition on command, and then switch it off again (when returning to the piano). The most effective way for me has been to focus my attention on the middle staff (the left hand) while playing the organ. Oftentimes, a slow organ prelude with a texture in which all four limbs are active on three keyboards (two for the hands and one for the feet) requires a significant amount of practice, even though it may sound easier than a piano piece with fast moving runs.

The organ keyboard for the feet follows the same pattern as a regular piano keyboard, with alternating white and black keys. As on the piano, the black keys are higher than the white keys. Many organists perform in special organ shoes with high heels. The heels make it easier to reach the lower-situated white keys. Some organists, including me, prefer to play in socks, as it is easier to “feel” the keys. In order to not waste time with tying shoelaces when switching from organ to piano during Worship, I wear slippers on most Sundays.

The second organ keyboard (the “Swell”) is located not only above the first keyboard (the “Great”), but also further away (like ascending stairs). The bench can be slightly adjusted, but the distance between the two manuals and the foot keyboard is fixed. For shorter people like me, it can be a challenge to maintain balance on the bench while using all three keyboards simultaneously. There have been situations in which I had to tolerate a wrong note in favor of not slipping off the bench!



On Sunday, June 9 at 3 pm, Dr. Júlio Ribeiro Alves will perform a recital with works for solo guitar at St. Paul. Dr. Alves serves as professor of guitar at Marshall University. He earned a D.M. degree in Guitar Performance and Music Literature from Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, an M.M. degree in Guitar Performance from the Peabody Conservatory at Johns Hopkins University and a B.M. degree in Guitar Performance from the University of Brasília, in his native country Brazil.

Just like that, May is a wrap and summer is here! Our youth at St. Paul have been diligently working together to improve our church grounds and work together in mind-body and spirit. The youth have picked up all the sticks and debris from all the storms that have landed on our church grounds. St. Paul Girl Scouts also played a part in cleaning out the beds and provided the funding for new flowers. Our Sunday school classes went on a field trip to lunch at Wemody's and to Lowe's to pick out the perrenniel flowers. Together we make our church and world a better place.

Our CCC group has had a fun month of gathering! Our youth had a festive night of swimming at the YMCA warm pool. Kids had a blast just swimming, jumping, playing together in fun and fellowship. The youth planted flowers for Mother's Day and made cards. The EOY celebration for our CCC group was at the Kist's house. We had a great night of baking brownies, cooking out and making s'mores on the fire. All of our youth enjoyed a free night of playing and roaming in nature. We all enjoyed the smells and sounds of summer, listening to the crickets and watching the sun set. It is wonderful to see all of our youth come together in fun and fellowship as brothers and sisters in Christ. They share a beautiful spiritual bond. We hope to share in some fun together this summer and with VBS in August.

We recognized, prayed and celebrated with Olivia Bell in honor of her graduation from Huntington High. Olivia graduated 9th in her class of more than 400 students She had over 3,000 assists her volleyball career! Olivia shines bright and will continue to do so as she prepares to attend Marshall University in the fall. We pray for Olivia as she embarks on this new journey ahead.

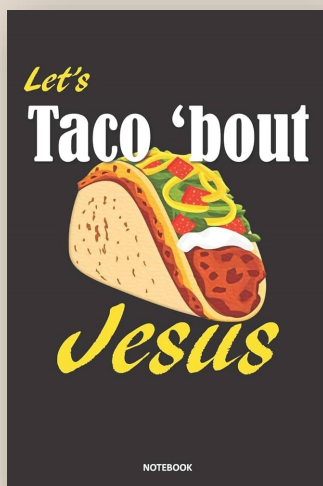
Our youth will be having a Camp Luther fundraiser on June 2nd. "Let's Taco 'bout Jesus" walking taco event will be following worship. This fundraiser helps campers with half of the tuition to go to camp. All are welcome to share in tacos, refreshments and dessert after worship! The youth will prepare and serve the meal. Monetary donations will be accepted.

Our older youth, going to the national gathering, are working on T-shirts and stickers to take to the gathering. We will share "Almost Heaven" stickers designed by Alex Mackey and sport WV shirts designed by Cameron May. The Gathering team met at Roosters for lunch and discussed the final elements of the upcoming trip to New Orleans We are excited to represent St. Paul Lutheran Church and West Virginia as we learn, share, pray, dance, sing and share God's praises in all things we were created to be. Our plans are coming together and we are excited to see what plans God has for all of us! As Isaiah 58:11 says-" The Lord will guide you always! "

Let the Lord guide us all through these beautiful days of summer!

Your Loving sister in Christ,

Jill



Camp Luther Fundraiser

June 2

after worship in the Fellowship Hall

Walking Tacos, refreshments and desserts

Everyone is invited!

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

Olivia Faith Bell

Olivia graduated ninth out of 404 students in her class at Huntington High. Some of the honors she has received are: National Honor Society and Spanish Honorary. Olivia was a 4 Year Varsity Volleyball Starter breaking the schools assist record with 3000 assists and had an offer to play collegiate volleyball but is choosing to go to Marshall University as she is receiving a full academic scholarship and has always been a huge Herd fan. She is leaning toward pre-med or physical therapy school. Olivia is the daughter of Brad and Jeanna Bell and granddaughter of Rex and Cam Hale.



Cridlin Food and Clothing Pantry

NEW ADDRESS:

Clarice Kumlien
105 W. Pine Drive Apt. 21A
Santa Claus, IN 47579

For the month of June we will be collecting saltine crackers for Cridlin. Please leave your donations in containers in the narthex.



**NEW
ADDRESS!**



**RECYCLE
INK CARTRIDGES**

Please continue to bring in your used ink cartridges. We receive \$2.00 for each cartridge at Office Depot. You can leave them in the church office or give to Kathy.

St. Mary's Centennial Carnival & Health Fair Saturday, June 1

HEALTH SCREENINGS AND PARTICIPANTS

(St. Mary's Centennial Carnival and Health Fair)

Screenings for:

- Balance screen and information
- blood pressure and stroke information
- Cholesterol, Blood sugar with interpretations and recommendations
- Pulse Oximetry
- Basic eye exam
- Hearing
- Flossing and Brushing demonstrations
- Osteoporosis Screening
- Child Safety Seat checks

Other Participants include

- St. Mary's Diabetes Center
- St. Mary's Women and Family Center
- St. Mary's Sleep Center
- Faith Health Appalachia
- Cabell County Library
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-State
- Hoops Family Children's Hospital—Teddy Bear Clinic
- Facing Hunger Food Bank
- Wild Ramp Pop-up Market

St. Mary's Centennial CARNIVAL & Health Fair

Saturday, June 1 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Health Information and
Screenings for All Ages

St. Mary's Fifth Avenue Campus
Parking Lot/New Baptist Church
2827 Fifth Avenue (Please use 28th Street Entrance)

Come celebrate
the 100-year legacy of St. Mary's
with a special event for the community!

Free food
and drinks!

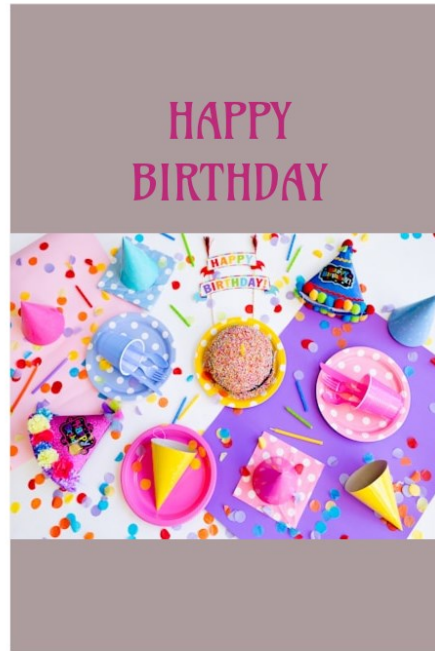
Children's Carnival featuring:
inflatables • Reptile House • Face Painting
Balloon Animals • Huntington Children's Museum
And much more!



Superhero Station featuring our local first responder heroes

For more information, call 304.526.1188

The Word in Season devotional for July, August, September is available in the narthex. This is a free devotional.



- 1 Norma Gensler
- 8 Bill Jennings; Nora Tucker
- 9 Tom McGill
- 11 Zoe May
- 15 Helen Golder; Carolyn Fornash
- 16 David Porterfield; Alex Mackey; Emma Meade (Simpkins)
- 19 Judy Cazad
- 25 Jacob Simpkins
- 26 Kevin Knowles
- 27 Francis Case

WE PRAY FOR:



- LaDonna, Helen, Clarice, Jenny, Jim, Deanna,
- Laura, Sue, Meredith and Francesca

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please call the church office.



June Anniversaries

- 2 Myles and Beth Brown
- 8 Kenny and Jan Kirby
- 15 Bill and Judi Korstanje
- 26 James and Frances Case
- 28 Pat and Cindy Jones; Shelly Tucker



DAILY DEVOTIONAL IN YOUR INBOX

The readings listed below are emailed to the congregation Monday-Friday along with a suggestion for contemplating the scripture. If you are not currently receiving the daily devotional and would like to please contact the church office.

- May 27-31: Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Psalm 81:1-10; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23--3:6
- June 3-7: Genesis 3:8-15; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1; Mark 3:20-35
- June 10-14: Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4,12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34
- June 17-21: Job 38:1-11; Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41
- June 24-28: Lamentations: 3:22-33; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						Synod Assembly
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10:00am Worship Noisy Offering 1:30pm Pastor at Woodlands		9:30am Quilting				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
10:00am Worship 3:00pm Recital		9:30am Quilting		Pastor on vacation 13th through 18th		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Father's Day 10:00am Worship	CAMP LUTHER WEEK					
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
10:00am Worship		9:30am Quilting				
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10:00am Worship						

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Large Print bulletins are now available on Sunday mornings. You can find them in the narthex and next to the elevator.

WORSHIP HELPERS FOR JUNE

June 2
Reader: Barbara Garnett
Assisting Minister: Linda Schneider
Communion Deacon: Steve Golder
Acolyte: Jaylyn Garnett
Ushers: Dale and Susan Kelz
Bread Provider: Linda Schneider
Live Stream:
Children's Sermon: Annette DuVall



June 9
Reader: Steve Golder
Assisting Minister: David Stuart
Communion Deacon: Creigh Pemberton
Acolyte: Willow May
Ushers: Dale and Susan Kelz
Bread Provider:
Live Stream:
Children's Sermon: Jill May



June 16
Reader: Jenny Murray
Assisting Minister: Steve Golder
Communion Deacon: Bernadette Wellman
Acolyte: Daniel Kist
Ushers: Dale and Susan Kelz
Bread Provider:
Live Stream:
Children's Sermon: Emma Kist



June 23
Reader: Linda Schneider
Assisting Minister: Linda Schneider
Communion Deacon: Jenny Murray
Acolyte: Jackson Wellman
Ushers: Dale and Susan Kelz
Bread Provider:
Live Stream:
Children's Sermon: Pastor Mackey

June 30
Reader: Annette DuVall
Assisting Minister: Keith Wellman
Communion Deacon: Cheryl Conzett
Acolyte: Kennady Kist
Ushers: Dale and Susan Kelz
Bread Provider:
Live Stream:
Children's Sermon: Pastor Mackey

SAVE THE DATE

Sept. 15

Worship and Picnic in the Park

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer shawls are available in the narthex if you would like to give one to someone in need of comfort and prayer. Cards are also available to give with the shawls. These shawls are made by members of St. Paul and are offered free of charge.



Congregational Meeting

June 9

after worship

Please see insert for details





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ST. PAUL MINISTRIES



Quilting



School Backpack Program



Christmas Baskets



Cool to be a Christian Club



Camp Luther



Lutheran Youth Organization



Worship in the Park



Trunk or Treat



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Blessing of the Animals



Christmas in August



Vacation Bible School

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