

SAVING A SEAT FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

# ST. PAUL'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## AUGUST 2024

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# LORD

Bless this new school year.  
Let it be a year filled with  
your grace, favor, and  
goodness.

In the name of Jesus' amen.

### OUR MISSION

Share the good news of Jesus Christ and to make disciples of all nations. Therefore with God's help, we will:

- Proclaim Christ in word and deed;
- Invite the unchurched to "Come and See Jesus"
- Commit ourselves to discipleship through bible study, worship, prayer, Christlike servanthood and fellowship;
- Open ourselves to the Holy Spirit's leading, so that whatever we do, we do in Jesus' name

### WORSHIP WITH ST. PAUL'S

- JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM
- BIBLE STUDY SUNDAY MORNING AT 8:15 AM
- MEN'S PRAYER GROUP SATURDAY MORNING AT 7:30 AM
- WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY AT 6:30 PM
- LIVE STREAMED SERVICES EVERY SUNDAY ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE


### WHAT'S COMING IN AUGUST:

The Council will meet  
August 13th at 6:30 pm

Join for fun at the Back  
School Blast Party for all  
Students on August 24th  
from 10:00-2:00.

The church will be blessing  
backpacks and the  
students heading back to  
school on Sunday, August  
25th!

### UPCOMING FALL FUN!

- Rally Day and the First Sunday of Sunday School will be on Sunday, September 8th
  - Gather together for a fall themed craft and sip on the evening of September 13th
  - Join the ladies of St. Paul's for a dinner out and comedy's queen of clean, Chonda Pierce on September 28. Sign up in the church Narthex
  - The soup supper will be held on October 9th
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# FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR PAUL

## Let's Talk Liturgics

Have you ever wondered why the church uses different colored decorations at various times of the year? These liturgical colors used by Christian churches have deep spiritual significance and symbolism. In this article, we will explore the meaning of each color. From Advent to Easter, Pentecost to Ordinary Time we will discover how these colors help express our faith and enrich our worship experience.

Traditionally the four liturgical colors are: purple, white, red, and green. Each color has its own meaning and importance in relation to the Christian calendar.

**Purple:** A color traditionally associated with a time of preparation and penitence; is often displayed during the seasons of Advent and Lent, although sometimes dark blue is used during Advent.

**White:** Symbolizes purity, joy, light, and glory and is used primarily during the seasons of Christmas and Easter and also on various other feast days throughout the Christian year, including baptisms and funerals.

**Red:** Represents blood, fire, and passion and is used to commemorate the arrival of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, the sacrifice of the martyrs, and the fire of God's love. Red is traditionally used on the day of Pentecost, Reformation Sunday, and during Confirmation.

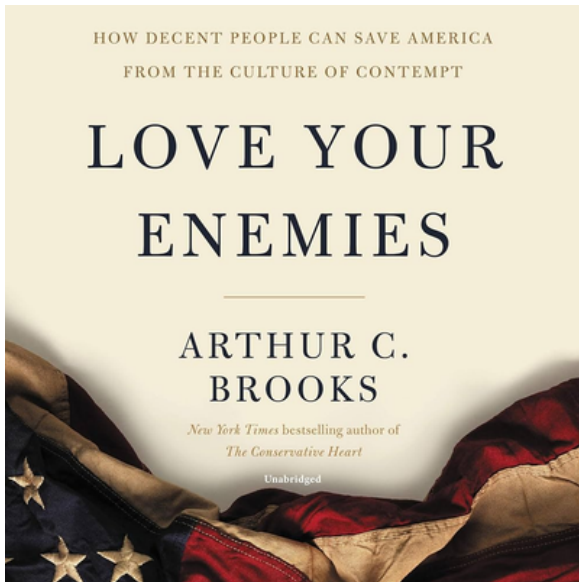
**Green:** Signifies a time of growth and renewal. The color green is often used to represent the season of Ordinary Time, a season that primarily focuses on the Lord's three-year public ministry, His teachings, and His miracles, as a reminder to the church of her mission.

While the use of colors during worship may seem like a trivial element, these colors play a significant role in helping us engage with the liturgy. As we worship not only with our minds but all our senses, colors can help to set the tone of a service and create an atmosphere of prayer and reflection. As we move through the different seasons in the church year, understanding the meaning behind each color ensures that our worship remains focused on God's Word and His promises.

Blessings,  
Pastor Paul



# BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



## Sunday Morning Bible Study

*"A roadmap to arrive at the happiness that comes when we choose to love one another despite our differences."*

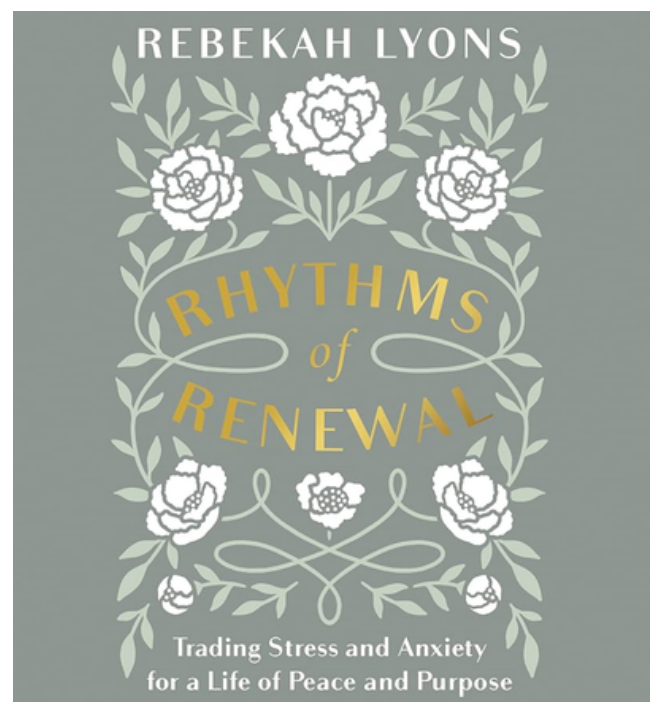
Join us Sunday mornings at 8:15 as we embark on a new study, Love Your Enemies written by Arthur Brooks. As Christians trying to navigate through these very divisive times in our country, we must be reminded of the new commandment our Lord gave to His church, that we are to love one another, even our enemies.



## Womens' Bible Study

We all face moments, weeks, months, or even years when anxiety and panic come crashing into our lives. Thankfully, God has provided simple rhythms to help us navigate these times. With a little intentional effort, our stress and anxiety can be traded for peace, joy, and purpose. Join us as we learn how four biblical, God-given rhythms can help us replace fear with faith: Rest, Restore, Connect, and Create. These rhythms will help bring balance to our hectic lives and allow God to bring us past fear into freedom.

Please make plans to join us at 9:30 am on Saturdays in October and November for breakfast and Bible study. Let Ramona or April know if you would like a copy of the study guide.



# AUGUST NEWS

## Save the Date!

### Join us for Rally Day on September 8th!

### Kick off the start of Sunday School with fun games, food, and fellowship!



#### UPCOMING SUNDAYS

August 4 | Reader: Harriette Andersen

Greeters: Alek & Anna Murphy

August 11 | Reader: Emily McKern

Greeters: Wohlers Family

August 18 | Reader: Bruce Bracker

Greeter: Cole & Carly Rupiper

August 25 | Reader: Monte Bracker

Greeter: Jim, Kiley, & Family

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

TERRI ANDERSEN - 8/4

LEANA CHRISTOFFERSEN - 8/4

KATIE BRACKER - 8/12

DUANE LARSEN - 8/23

RILEY TILLEY - 8/23

EILEEN KILLPACK - 8/25

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

TRENT AND GINGER

LARSON - 8/19

