

St. Paul Lutheran Church

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The Holy Trinity

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Welcome! *The Glory of the LORD of Hosts Shines in Mercy, Forgiveness and Salvation.* When Isaiah “*saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up,*” he cried out and confessed that he was “*a man of unclean lips.*” If even the holy angels cover their faces in the presence of “*the King, the LORD of hosts,*” how can sinful humans stand before Him (Is. 6:1–5)? Yet, the glory of the Lord is saving grace, and with “*a burning coal*” from the altar the angel touched Isaiah’s lips, removing his guilt (Is. 6:6–7). Likewise, from the altar of Christ’s cross, by the ministry of the Gospel, “*the whole earth is full of his glory*” (Is. 6:3). For He was crucified, died and buried, “*according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God,*” and God “*raised him up, loosing the pangs of death*” (Acts 2:23–24). He “*received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit*” (Acts 2:33), and He raises up the fallen world by pouring out His life-giving Spirit upon sinners through His earthly Means of Grace. To give this saving gift, God sent His Son into the world, “*that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life*” (John 3:16–17).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Lori Becker-recovering
Brian Becvar (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner)
Eleanor Berger-recovering
Chris Birnbaum
Mary Sue Canales (cousin of Nancy Kasper)
Pat Hughes-recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)
Amanda Johnson-medical testing (friend of Johnathan Noack)
William Johnson (father of Heather Perry)
Gladys Karisch-recovering
Ruth Lorenz-recovering
Chris Miertschin
Shannon Miertschin
Mark Noack-brother of Lori Becker
Pat Nusbaum-recovering (mother of Melissa Ray)
Ralph Pitts (uncle of James Kalbas)
Larry Schatte-recovering from surgery
Barbara Schreckengost-recovering (sister of Theresa Krause)
Brenda Symm-recovering
Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Becky Weise
Kenneth Weiser-recovering
Bonnie Wenke-recovering
Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.
Those fighting cancer including:
Annie Beasley (niece of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)
Diane Biehle (friend of Dorothy Schautschick)
Joyce Bise
Don Claxton-father of Jeff Claxton
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)
Mandie Fritsche (granddaughter-in-law of Doris Fritsche)
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)
Ross Hughes-recovering (friend of James and Kathy Kalbas)
Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)
Rev. Fred Krebs (friend of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)
Harold Krause- surgery
Bethany Lara-hospitalized (daughter of Kathy Gersch)
Kathy Lohberg (niece of Adelia Becker and Hattie Mutschink)
Mike Maass
Louis Muniz, Jr. (brother of Robert Muniz)
Carie Oltmann
Pat Richardson (friend of Darlene Schatte)
Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Karen Schmidt
Jim Sladek (friend of Johnathan Noack)
Barbara Symm
Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)
Tiffany Wittman (sister-in-law of Jason & Cindy Heuermann)
Cathy Woolbright (friend of Ken & Ruby Weiser)
Those serving in the Armed Forces including:
Keith Schreckengost (Billy & Theresa Krause’s brother-in-law), Fort Hood, TX
Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Irwin, CA
Kosh Osmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Basic Training
Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Camp Hovey, South Korea
Those who mourn:
The family of Esther Gaston (sister of Rev. Paul Hartfield)
All Graduates

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request and give it to pastor on Sunday morning.

The Order of Service—Worship Insert

The Hymns: 826, 507, 571, 761

Sermon Text: Acts 2:25-28

The Sermon: **“Shaken?”**

St. Paul Lutheran Church is open for worship. We continue celebrating Holy Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. Private communion is available and we ask that you contact Pastor Schmidt to set up a time. Social distancing guidelines continue to be followed and we ask for your active participation to protect yourself and those around you. All those who are at risk are encouraged to please stay home and continue to follow us on the Church’s Website. All bulletins and announcements will continue to be posted on the Church’s Website. **If you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID you are required to stay home.** We pray God’s protective hand upon us as we move forward in His love and care during this uncertain time.

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor of the 50th Anniversary Confirmation Classes of 1970 and 1971.
- † **June Calendar.** The June Calendar is available in the church office.
- † **Alumni Kudos.** Last Sunday we listed the St. Paul Lutheran School alumni that ranked in the “TOP TEN” of their respective classes at Giddings High School. We inadvertently left off Ehren Mitschke (’19) as one of the top ten students. Congratulations to Ehren, you continue to make us proud of you at SPS!
- † **The Church Office** will be closed on Monday, May 31st in observance of Memorial Day.
- † **The Early Childhood Center** will be closed on Monday, May 31st, in observance of Memorial Day.
- † **Special Voters Meeting.** There will be a special voter's meeting following the service on Sunday, June 6th for review and approval of a contract offer for a Teacher at the school.
- † **WENDISH FISH FRY:** The Texas Wendish Heritage Society will be hosting a drive through Fish Fry lunch on Sunday, June 6 at Serbin Picnic Grounds from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. The menu includes Fried Fish, Potato Salad, Brown Beans, Coleslaw and Hush Puppies. There will also be a country store with Desserts, Dry Noodles, etc. Tickets are \$12 and calling to reserve tickets is encouraged. To reserve tickets call 979-366-2441 or email wendish@bluebon.net. All proceeds benefit the Texas Wendish Heritage Society Scholarship Fund.
- † **Our Vacation Bible School** snack team has lots of fun and delicious snacks planned for this year’s God’s Wonder Lab VBS! We need your help in providing some of the snacks for the kids and volunteers. A snack sign up poster will be out front of church each Sunday and online via the church website. You can drop your items off at the church office the week before, at church on Sunday, June 13 or on the first day of VBS, Monday, June 14. Any questions can be directed to Kalen Kalbas-Snacks Coordinator (979-540-0370).
- † **Texas Wendish Heritage Society Scholarship Program.** The Texas Wendish Heritage Society (TWHS) appreciates support given to our scholarship program. All Texas Wendish Heritage Scholarship funds are received through fundraising projects and donations. The TWHS scholarship program is available to students of Wendish descent and encourages students to learn more about their Wendish heritage. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited college, university or trade school for Fall 2021 semester. 2020 scholarship applications will be available beginning April 17th online at texaswendish.org and on the Texas Wendish Facebook Page. The entire process is online and must be submitted digitally by the deadline; 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 17th, 2021. For more information contact the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum at 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.net. In 2019 a total of \$18,000 was awarded in scholarships to twenty-three students. **Thanks for your support!**
- † **Scrip Program.** Gift Cards make wonderful gifts for Graduation. You can do it all with a Scrip Card. Order them through the Church’s Scrip Program. Orders can be placed through the Church Office or you can go online and order your cards. We also have some Walmart and HEB cards on hand in the Church Office.

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
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Monday **Memorial Day**
ECC Closed
Church Office Closed

Wednesday ECC Chapel - 8:30 a.m.
LWML Quilting – 9:00 a.m.

Next Sunday **Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**
Special Voter’s Meeting – 9:30 a.m.
Wendish Society Fried Fish Dinner

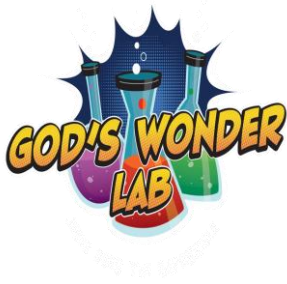
Birthdays: Today – Allison Kaiser, Emma Noack, Ava Noack, Rylan Todd; 31st – Courtney Kaiser, Johnathan Noack; 1st – Baylie Becker, Delvin Boriack, Ethan Miertschin; 2nd – Adam Kieschnick; 3rd – Clay Mertink; 4th – Robert Muniz, Carol Sander; 5th – Kenneth Weiser, Sherri Yurk. God’s Blessings to you.

Life Through the Church Year:

May 30 – Holy Trinity

Almighty God makes Himself known to us as Father, Son, and Spirit (Isaiah 6:3,8). He delights in nothing more than bringing forth children (Psalm 29:9; John 3:3-5). Childbearing means more than just political controversy or personal choice. It belongs to the Gospel’s essence to cherish all the little ones. Whom shall He send to celebrate it? Here we are---send us!

Register for God’s Wonder Lab! God’s Wonder Lab is the VBS theme for 2021. Join us June 14-18th from 8:15-11:15. Register by following the link on the church website or on the school Facebook page! St. Paul’s VBS is for children ages 3 - 7th Grade! We have an exciting week planned of learning about Jesus, our Savior, with lots of fun activities, singing great songs, crafts and snacks, and so much more! I hope you can join us!



Volunteer for VBS! God has given us all unique gifts and abilities to share with others! Please contact VBS Director, Krista Rodriguez (979-716-0143) to share your gifts! Serve our risen Lord by volunteering to lead Bible stories, crafts, games,

music, or just be a helper to the lead teachers at each station. Volunteers can be from those entering 8th Grade through 88th year of life.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 174, Bible Class- 19

Offering Last Week: \$22,135.95

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$9,769.00	Mission	\$380.00
Use of Facility	\$350.00	Mission Total	\$380.00
Lunch Room	\$671.00	Savings/Other:	
ECC Operating	\$7,520.75	Building Fund	\$70.00
School Registration	\$425.00	Cemetery Fund	\$75.00
Tuition	\$2,875.20	Savings/Other Total	\$145.00
Received 5/23/2021	\$21,610.95		
		Total	\$22,135.95
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00		
Received MTD	\$86,466.89		
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of James Tate by Linda Tate - \$500.00 (for LS Builder and Hymn License Renewal). In memory of Hattie Schautschick by Paul & Rachel Meinke & family - \$50.00; by Chris Becker family - \$25.00; by Janiece Becker - \$25.00; by Carolyn Noack - \$25.00; by Carl Mertink, Jr. - \$25.00; by M/M A.W. Hempel - \$25.00; by Gary & Cindy Becker & family - \$25.00. In memory of Doyle Hembry by Stephen & Nancy Kasper - \$50.00; by Jason, Teshia & Lucy Becker - \$50.00. In memory of Doyle Hembry and Caroline Noack by Robert & Joyce Hinze - \$40.00. In memory of Doyle Hembry, James Pietsch and Hattie Schautschick by Monroe Becker - \$75.00. **Building Fund:** In memory of Hattie Schautschick by Doris Fritsche - \$20.00. In memory of Doyle Hembry by Tommy & Linda Wilkins - \$50.00. **Cemetery Fund:** In memory of Hattie Schautschick by Linda Steglich O'Leary - \$50.00; by Dennis & Betty Kurio - \$25.00. **Texas Wendish Heritage Society:** In memory of Hattie Schautschick by Dwayne Mitschke family - \$25.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of Caroline Noack by John & Lois Kalbas - \$40.00.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, June 6th, “**Out of the Depths**”. Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge. When our words fail us, we find God’s word of promise in the words of Psalm 130. (Psalm 130). Hear *The Lutheran Hour* each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Serving today: Elders— Tim Hartfield and Keith Oltmann
Organist- Susan Michael
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Michael Becker **Assistant**- Shelby Becker



*Join us in the shade of the oaks and cedars for
the 127th Serbin Picnic*



Thank You!

Thank you for all the prayers and support you have offered during this academic year. It's hard to believe another school year is complete! We ask that you continue to remember us in your prayers and support, as preparations are made for next year and the future. God continues to bless our ministry and YOU do as well. Thank you!

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this spring and summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

June 7-9 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$15

June 14-16 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$15

June 21-23 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$ 30

June 28-30 - STEM Camp – Grades K to 6 - \$30

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Limited spots remaining!

New Student Registration

Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is underway. We are looking to add more students to our family. Are you looking for a Christ-centered education, a rigorous college prep curriculum, small class sizes? Call for a tour and check out FLHS!! Call (979) 242-2889 today!

Staff Positions Available

Faith Lutheran High School will have part time openings on its faculty for the 2021-2022 academic year! Interested individuals who teach science, social studies, English, Spanish, or electives, or would like to supervise dual credit or study hall students may submit resumes to Faith Lutheran High School, PO Box 138, Warda, TX 78960, call (979) 242-2889, or email them to kueckn@faithlutheranhighschool.com. If you have the time and talents, please consider applying and sharing your gifts with our students. Thank you!

Thrivent Action Team Grants

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to be used on projects at Faith, please contact Nikki Kueck by calling (979) 242-2889. Help us to be able to take advantage of these funds for the good of our school. *We are currently looking to utilize Action Grants to offset expenses associated with our summer camps!