

ST. PAUL'S, TROY LUTHERAN

SEPTEMBER 2018

SEPTEMBER THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR SCHUESSLER

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Paul's:

As you receive this, read this or let this sit on your counter/in your inbox unread, the outcome is the same. Summer is coming to an end. This weekend is the unofficial end of summer. Labor Day, the 1st Monday in September, signals that summer is over. Yes, children in our area have been back to school for a half a month already. SIUE and SWIC have both been back in session for 2 weeks. Summer activities are curtailed because there is no time to do them any longer. Summer vacations are over. If you get a vacation in now, it is a fall vacation as opposed to a summer vacation. Fewer of us take vacations in the fall, though perhaps we should. Fall is a beautiful time of the year. The leaves are changing. If you were to go north to Minnesota or Michigan or to the northeast, you could see some beautiful fall colors. Here in our area, you will have to wait until the last weekend of September (which I heard is going to be the peak time colors around here). I hope and pray that you used your summer wisely, making the most of the days.

As I was contemplating the end of summer, I began to think about Sunday School and Bible class. Do you get your children to Sunday School? If your child is 2 years of age through high school, there is a class for them. As a parent, do you see that your child attends Sunday School? Why should they? I often hear from families that attend St. Paul's school that they don't need to go to Sunday School because they have religion every day at school. But what habit are you, as a parent, cultivating in the life of your child? By not taking them to Sunday School, you are teaching them that after they are out of 8th grade, they no longer need to study the word in a group. And if you, as a parent, don't attend Sunday Bible class yourself, you are saying to your child, "When you get to be an adult, study of the Word is unimportant."

I can hear it now: "I don't say that. Studying the Word is important." If that is true, if that is what you think, do you attend Bible class? When was the last time you attended the Sunday morning Bible class? Perhaps you say, "That isn't for me." How do you know that? Have you tried it lately? What about since I arrived here (that was over 9 years ago!)? As a parent, if you are not attending Bible Class, you are teaching your child that study of the Word is not really that important. It is like going to worship. If you don't attend regularly, you are teaching your child that worship is not important. Too many adults think that worship is an option and then teach their children that is an option. Then they wonder why their son or daughter doesn't go to worship. They learned it from their parents.

Sunday School teaches our children the Bible lessons. It also brings all our children together and creates sense of family, which the church is supposed to be, a family. It helps our children to learn that it doesn't matter if you go to St. Paul's school, to the public school or homeschooled, you are all a part of the same St. Paul's Lutheran Church. It creates community. It is important for our children to learn that young and continue to live that as they grow.

It is also important for you as an adult, to continue to study the Word. The Board of Christian Education is looking at attendance at the different Bible classes. The Sunday Class is currently the most well attended, but even still, only has about 40 attend, this is of the 225 people that attend worship on any given Sunday. Last month I talked about the need for worship and what it does for you (not what you are doing for God). This month, I add to that list the importance of attending regular Bible study.

If you notice, there is Sunday morning at 9:15 a.m.; Tuesday morning 9:45 a.m.; Wednesday morning 9:45 a.m.; Thursday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. and Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. (thought this one might be changing). We are open to starting new Bible studies as needed. I would encourage you to make use of what we have available as well as bringing up thoughts on different times.

On another note, I am looking at starting an Adult Instruction Class which will lead to membership at St. Paul's and in the Lutheran Church. If you are interested in this class, please contact me. I do not have a day/time yet as I am waiting

to see what might work for those who are interested in joining. It is also a great chance for you to review what it is that you believe as a member of the Lutheran Church.

Just to keep you up-to-date: I continue to serve as the Junior Pastoral Counselor for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML). What do I do in this position? I give guidance to the national LWML as we work to assist the women of the Lutheran Church to grow in her God-given abilities and talents. We develop Bible studies, workshops and worship services. The weekend of September (29/30) will be the LWML Sunday. That service was written for the LWML, reviewed, reworked and prepared for the use of all the congregation throughout the LC-MS. While I did not write the service, I did have to do the doctrinal review of the service, to insure that it was in accordance with the teachings of the LC-MS. Yes, everything we produce in the LWML is in accord with our church body's teaching. This includes the Lutheran Women's Quarterly, Bible studies, skits, devotions, etc. I also have regular Webex meetings, meaning that we meet on-line (so I don't have to go somewhere for a meeting), discuss many options, lead workshops, attend conferences, and attend meetings in St. Louis (generally) about 2-3 times a year. The first week of November, I will be attending the Convention Planning Committee (CPC), the Executive Committee (EC) and the Assembly of Leaders (AOL), all in St. Louis. At these meetings we work from morning to evening.

Why am I telling you this? So that you know what your pastor is doing beyond the congregation. It is important for you to know that there is more going on in our church than what takes place here in Troy. Here at home, I continue to teach Bible study, lead worship services, teach confirmation classes on MTTH and W. I teach one religion class per grade per week in the school, participate in the staff devotions in the mornings, lead chapel on Wednesday mornings and afternoons. I also make regular calls, visit the hospitals and nursing homes. Then I answer your calls, have people visit the office and work on the regular items such as the Troy Lutheran and the OnDeck. When I have free time, I write Bible studies and sermons, prepare services and anything else that needs done.

Why do I do all that? Two reasons: 1) I love serving the Lord and 2) I love serving the congregation. I am called to this position as pastor and I love it. I can't imagine not being a pastor, not being your pastor. Yes, I have had a couple calls and have returned them to the calling congregation. The fact is, as long as the Lord wants me to serve St. Paul's, I will. How long will that be? Until the Lord decides differently. That might not be a good enough answer for you, but that is the only one I can give. I don't know the mind of the Lord. I serve where He puts me. He put me here and I serve here. I rejoice each day that I am able to serve the Lord here. I pray for each of you. I ask the Lord to use me as your pastor to lead you in path of faith and righteousness. There is nothing better for me to do than serve you as pastor.

All right, I have gone different places this month. Like my blog, I find that I am rambling through a variety of topics. I pray that you are well. Please continue to pray for me and Penny and our family. We ask that the Lord would continue to bless all of us as we serve Him together.

Blessings on your month of September.

Pastor Schuessler

September Birthdays / Anniversaries

Sept. 1: Amanda Koldeway, *Matthew & TreCIA Winte*; **2:** Matthew Lilienkamp, *Bobby & Dawn Ross III*; **3:** *Dave & Yvonne Rieger, Mike & Lindsay Zeller*; **4:** Jacob Doyle, Tim Wittenberg; **5:** *Glenn & Velma Buske*, Natalie Kenison, *Alan & Karen Kilzer*, Tony Sipes; **6:** Dakota Pedigo; **7:** Jack Hoge, *Jason & Jessica Kesterson*; **8:** Donald Brannon, Samantha Kilzer, Dennis Kueker, Susan Lilienkamp; **9:** Jacob Furfaro, Christian Harlow, *Ken & Dawn Hunter*, Dean Hupp, Courtney Levo, Karen Loyet; **10:** Landon Cox, Owen Fournie, *Adam & Addy Seib*, Nora Sollberger; **11:** Kay Butts, *Roy & Diana Koberna, Ronald & Karen Loyet*, Bobby Ross III, *Bryan & Lauren Schmitt*, Rachel Sipes, *Tony & Erica Sipes*; **12:** Jesse James; **13:** Mary Ann Bonneville, Sarah Salanitro, Kyle Sipes; **14:** Gary Felax, Colin McLaughlin, Pat Pevery; **15:** Payton Daniels, Lisa Niebruegge; **16:** *Dwain & Millie Eggemeyer*, Alex Hupp, Shelly Rood, Jan Schultz, *Kurt & Caitlyn Unger*, Emmerson York; **18:** Jennifer Doyle, Jerry Ferrill, *Nick & Kelly Garcia, Terry & Julie Giger*, Jim Lyons, Mary Rhymer, John Stille; **19:** Michael McGrievy, *Kenny & Judy Sipes*; **20:** Blake Boeshans, Velma Buske, Jessica Kesterson, Jim Sahs, Bekah Somers; **21:** Brock Becker, Betty Criley, David Meseke, Angela Niebruegge, Pastor Schuessler, Finnegan Warneke, Kim Wildhaber, *Justin & Andrea York*; **22:** Andrea Schaefer; **23:** Diana Koberna, Bryan Schmitt, Chase Wiesemeyer; **24:** Valerie Meyer, Maison Solice, *Dan & Jayne Woolley*; **25:** Ron Fenimore, *Keith & Jackie Jackson*, Joseph McGrievy; **26:** Judy Cullen, Roy Harris, Brian Koberna, Whitney Meier, Adelyn Sievers, David Thomas; **27:** Brooklyn Emmons, Jeanette Gindler, Michael Totten; **28:** *Ed & Darilyn Johnson*, Gregor Vadnal; **29:** JR Walls; **30:** Hudson Dochterman, Darleen Fenimore, Curtis Moore.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

WOMENS' BIBLE CLASS is Wednesday, September 5th and September 19th in the church kitchen in the church basement. *Women of the congregation are welcome to join us in our study.*

MOMS MORNING MINGLE, a Bible study for moms of school children is on Tuesdays from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in the narthex. Contact Lauren McLaughlin (977-2744) for more information.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY starts back up, after time off for summer, with our next study on *Thursday, September 6th from 2-3 p.m.* in the church Fellowship Hall (old kitchen). This study is open to anyone who would like to join us. Bring your Bible, your questions and a willingness to learn. It meets every Thursday from 2-3 p.m.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Come and join us on Sunday mornings from 9:15 -10:15 a.m. in the church basement. We are currently studying the book of Acts. The Sunday morning Adult Bible Class will help you to grow in faith and Biblical understanding.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: The Public School class is on Wednesdays from 4:30-6:00 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, September 5th, the Wednesday after Labor Day. The St. Paul's Parochial school classes are on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays from 8-9 a.m. and began with the start of school. Confirmation will be April 28th, 2019.

RUMMAGE SALE – FRIDAY, 9/14 (7 AM - NOON) AND SATURDAY, 9/15 (7 AM – NOON). It is time to clean out your closets, basement, garage, attic and storage shed and donate any items that you no longer use or want to the St. Paul's rummage sale—clothing, household items, furniture, collectibles, holiday decorations, toys, games, books, movies, linens, fabric, craft supplies, tools or exercise equipment. *There are a few items that are not accepted: computer equipment, mattresses and TVs.* Donations will be accepted at the Tri-Township Park pavilion (across from the lake) on Sunday, 9/9 from 1-3 p.m.; Monday 9/10, Tuesday 9/11, and Wednesday 9/12 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Thursday 9/13, from 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It takes a lot of help to accomplish this task. Please make time in your schedule to help with the sorting and organizing and/or on the days of the sale. *We need many strong men and boys to help set up. Please figure out when you will help, then e-mail your times to Linda at lcaig@saintpaulstroy.org.*

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL NEWS

News from Third and Fourth Grade

It is as it always has been, and always will be, all about God. We use this as our focus for this year in all we do, say, and think. The year has started and I am blessed to have a great class again. We began the year with a science experiment that used onions. Not one kid cried. That is impressive. We are now into all of our major subjects and learning that we have more learning to do.

God has given us talents outside the classroom as well. We have several volleyball players sharing their gifts with others. The Varsity team was so excited to go to state last year. We are working towards that every year. The Tiny Tigers would be very upset if I told you how cute they are. They want to be taken seriously like the varsity players. They are doing some great improving as well.

What are your talents? Do you think you can be a super Tiger Fan! We have a few from church we love seeing at our games. I pray to see more in the future.

As always, I and my class pray for all of us at St. Paul's. We pray for the things we know are troubling and the things/people that we aren't aware of. Listening to my children pray is an awesome way of remembering how God wants us to come to him.

Blessings to you all! Mrs. Mindy Fischer, 3/4 grade teacher

Chapel is each Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in the church. All families are invited to attend this chapel service. On the 3rd Wednesday of each month, one of the classes participates in either taking part in or leading the chapel. Then at 1:00 p.m. for the afternoon preschool class. You are invited to attend. Stay connected with your school through worship.

UPCOMING 2019 WASHINGTON, D.C. TRIP FUNDRAISERS

- Dewey's Pizza in Edwardsville, Tuesday, **September 18, 4-10 pm.**, dine-in or carry-out. Must present a paper flyer or an electronic copy of the flyer for our group to get credit.
- STL Cardinals Calendars, will begin taking orders around **mid-October**.
- Kids Night Out, Friday, **October 26**. Other Kids Night Out evenings are scheduled for December 7 and January 25.

BLOOD DRIVE: The blood drive on Wednesday collected 17 units! If you were one of the donors, **THANK YOU** for taking the time and donating your blood to save lives.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS...Purchase grocery, gas and restaurant cards to help you stay on budget or buy them to use for gifts, all while you help us raise funds for St. Paul's! Order forms can be found online. The next deadline is due Wednesday, September 5th at 3 p.m. in the school office.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: This year we will have quarterly contests. The classroom that collects the most box tops per student* by the end of each quarter (10/17, 12/21, 3/8, 5/10) will receive either a pizza party and dress-down day (K-8) or DQ treats (PS/PK). Invite your extended family and friends to help you save the box tops. Our school year goal is to collect enough box tops at \$.10 each to receive \$1,000! We've done it before. We can do it again. If we reach that goal by May 10, the entire school will have a special celebration. *Total number of box tops collected in a classroom divided by the number of students in that classroom. e.g. Classroom collects 354 box tops, divided by number of students (12) = 29.5 box tops per student.

NEWS FOR VBS 2018: CONCORDIA GOSPEL OUTREACH would like to thank St. Paul's Vacation Bible School for our commitment in sharing the Gospel with those who need it most, both close to home and across the world. When you give to Concordia Gospel Outreach, books that are sent to missionaries and mission teams working to share the message of Jesus Christ with children, youth and adults all over the world. St. Paul's recent gift of \$764.64 to the Mission Madagascar project will help put the Gospel in the hands of more people who have not yet heard the Good News.

Are you a man? Do you like to eat breakfast? Do you enjoy conversation with other men? Then the Men's Breakfast is for you! **MEN'S BREAKFAST** meets on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of each month. In the month of September, we gather together on *September 8th and 22nd at 7:00 a.m.* We enjoy breakfast at the Cracker Barrel in Troy. All men are welcome to join us for breakfast. Fathers, bring your sons with you as you come to enjoy the discussion and camaraderie that develops as we share the table together.

BACK TO SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT: The Class of 2020 is sponsoring a Trivia Night at Metro East Lutheran High School, Edwardsville, IL on Saturday, September 8th beginning at 7:00 p.m. Each table can have up to ten players. Adult tickets are \$10 and student (elementary-college) are \$5. Contact Mrs. Covarrubias for table reservations at shanna.covarrubias@melhs.org Individual tickets are also available if you can't get a whole group together. All payment will be at the door on the night of the event.

In addition to 10 rounds of regular trivia, there will also be opportunities to win prizes through simple games, bonus trivia rounds and door prizes. We hope to send as many people home with prizes as possible.

Please feel free to bring your own snacks, although there will also be some drinks and snacks available for purchase. Doors will be open at 6:00 p.m. and trivia will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. We hope to see you there for a great night of fun and fellowship!

39TH ANNUAL NIGHT OF KNIGHTS AUCTION will be held November 2nd. Volunteers are needed in any capacity! Ny time or help given is much appreciated. Please contact Allison Key with any questions at 618-797-8495.

"WHEN I'M 64" FUNDRAISER FOR UNITY SCHOOL

Seven bands. All Beatles. All day. The friends of Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School in East St. Louis encourage you to attend the fourth annual "When I'm 64" Beatles Festival at the Firemen's Park in Prairietown IL on Saturday, September 8. The music of the Beatles performed by seven local bands begins at noon and runs to 9pm. Donations are received at the gate for the support of Unity's Scholarship Fund. Food trucks, vendors, cake walk, Kid's Zone, live painting, lots of Fab Four fun for everyone. Search for the "When I'm 64" Facebook page for full event information.

MINISTRIES UNLIMITED FOOD PANTRY... you can support the pantry and the families who need food by bringing non-perishable food items when you come to church. Imagine what could happen if we each make a new habit and pick up one food item for a hungry family every time we buy groceries for our own family. Your continued support is very much appreciated. When we serve others, we often become aware of how fortunate we really are. Thank you again for the kindness you show to others. May your days be blessed by God's grace and loving care. *Ministries Unlimited.*

COUPON BOX – The LWML is collecting coupons to purchase items for Ministries Unlimited, the Seminary and the Military. There is a box on the LWML table to place any coupons that you do not intend to use. Thank you for your help!

SID OLDER ADULT SPRINGFIELD DAY TRIP Thursday, October 11, 2018 LINCOLN MUSEUM – Visitors are offered an engaging, emotional and educational experience through "you are there" exhibits and theater presentations about Abraham Lincoln. **DANA THOMAS HOUSE** -- This magnificent Frank Lloyd Wright home has 35 rooms to tour.

7:45 am Bus stop at St Clair Square by the Water Tower **8:45 am** Bus stops at St Paul, Hamel **10: 00 am** Lincoln Museum and Library Lunch in the Museum at a Subway Restaurant (at your own cost) **1:45 pm** On the bus 2:00 pm Dana-Thomas (Frank Lloyd Wright) House **3:30 pm** On the bus to go home **4:45 pm** Bus stops at St. Paul, Hamel **5:45 pm** Bus stops at St Clair Square Reg. fee includes: Comfort Coach Bus fare, Museum and House fees For questions and/or day of trip contact person – Bob Polansky 618-979-0918, email: robert.polansky@lcfcs.org. Registration forms can be found on the table in the narthex.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY



The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) News for September:

RUB-A-Dub! Let's Fill the Tub!! It's time for our soap in-gathering. Please bring bars of soap to church during the month of September for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you so much!!

Lutheran World Relief: Please check the LWML Table in the narthex for more information on LWR kits, blankets or quilts. Please have these items to church by Sunday, September 23. They will be blessed at the LWML services Saturday, September 29 and Sunday, September 30. Thank you!!

School Supplies: Thank you, St Paul's, for the many school supplies!! The 367 packages of school needed items were shared between St. Paul's, Ministries Unlimited, and Lutheran World Relief. Your donations will help many students have a successful start to their school year!

COMING EVENTS

Monday, September 24, 7:00pm LWML Meeting in the church basement Fellowship Hall. We'll be signing up for confirmation prayer friends and renewing Lutheran Quarterlies. Our activity will be for Lutheran World Relief and LWML Sunday services on Saturday, September 29 and Sunday, September 30. Devotions will be by Pastor Schuessler. Refreshment servers will be Lauren McLaughlin and Jill Corder. In-gathering will be soap for LWR. We'd love to have more people join us for an evening of fun! Please come!

Friday, September 28 and Saturday, September 29, 7:00 – 8:20 am Registration, 8:30 Opening Worship, LWML SID 39th Biennial Convention: at Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, 9545 Shattuc Road, Centralia. "His Steadfast Love Endures Forever!" Celebrating 75 Years of the LWML Decades of Missions.

Saturday, September 29 and Sunday, September 30: LWML Sunday. Please come join your LWML friends in church when we celebrate the LWML during this special service. We'll be making a joyful noise as we gather our mites. Pastor will be blessing the Lutheran World Relief kits, blankets and quilts. "Our Rest in a Changing World" from Psalm 62 is the theme.

Tuesday, October 9, 6:30pm, Mother/Daughter (Friend) Salad Dinner: Please come join in the fun! Bring a salad to share that serves 8-12 people. Get your tickets early for this popular evening!

June 20-23, 2019, LWML 38th Biennial Convention, Mobile, Alabama. Theme: "In Praise to the Lord"

Lutheran World Relief Kits

Baby Care Kits (sizes 6-24 months):

- 2 lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies)
- 2 gowns or sleepers (no feet)
- 2 lightweight baby blankets
- 4 cloth diapers
- 1 hooded jacket or sweater with baby cap
- 2 pairs of baby socks
- 1 dark colored hand towel
- 2 diaper pins

Personal Care Kits:

- 1 dark colored lightweight bath-size towel
- 1 adult size toothbrush in original packaging
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 metal nail clippers

Fabric Kits:

- 2 spools neutral-colored, general purpose thread, 250-300 yds. Each
- 2 pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (not 100% polyester):
 - 2 ¼ yards of 60" wide fabric or
 - 3 yards of 44" wide fabric or
 - 4 yards of 36" wide fabric

SERVING THE LORD IN WORSHIP

ON SATURDAY:

September 1 at 6:00 p.m. Acolyte: Ellie Corder; **Elders:** ; **Ushers:** Brion Boeshans,, Sam Italiano, Randy Jones and Kyle Sipes; **Greeters:** Larry & Kathy Brokering; **Organist:** Jo White; **Altar Guild:** Grace Cottingham and Bev Wurtz.

ON SUNDAY:

September 2 at 8:00 a.m. Acolyte: Brylee Proffitt; **Elder:**; **Ushers :** Mark Leitschuh, Fred Patterson, Mike Salanitro and Ken Sipes; **Greeters:** Russ & Pat Watson; **Organist:** Jo White; **Altar Guild:** Grace Cottingham and Bev Wurtz.

September 2 at 10:30 a.m. Acolyte: Abby Kesterson; **Ushers:** Keith Jackson, Ryan Kaffer, Jason Kesterson and Tony Sipes; **Greeter:** Ruth Schmitt; **Bulletin Collator:** Darrell & Debbie Wittenberg; **Organist:** Jo White.

ON SATURDAY:

September 8 at 6:00 p.m. Acolyte: Sophia Everett; **Elders:** ; **Ushers:** Brion Boeshans, Kevin Campe, Sam Italiano, and Randy Jones; **Greeters:** Jim & Shirley Rood; **Organist:** Claudia Loethen; **Altar Guild:** Darrell & Debbie Wittenberg.

ON SUNDAY:

September 9 at 8:00 a.m. Acolyte: Katelyn Godell; **Ushers:** Jacob Doyle, Steve Doyle, Ted Flath and Jason Powell; **Greeter:** Yvonne Rieger; **Organist:** Claudia Loethen.

September 9 at 10:30 a.m. Acolyte: Andrew Lilienkamp; **Elder:**; **Ushers:** Bruce McLaughlin, Colin McLaughlin, Mark Schlemmer and Tim Wittenberg; **Greeter:** Kay Butts; **Bulletin Collator:** Kay Butts; **Organist:** Claudia Loethen; **Altar Guild:** Darrell & Debbie Wittenberg.

ON SATURDAY:

September 15 at 6:00 p.m. Acolyte: Katelyn Hunter; **Elders:**; **Ushers:** Brion Boeshans, Kyle Sipes and TBA; **Greeters:** Bob & Joyce Hoffmann; **Pianist:** Tim Wittenberg; **Altar Guild:** Todd & Sheryl Moore.

ON SUNDAY:

September 16 at 8:00 a.m. Acolyte: Tyler Beuth; **Elder:**; **Ushers:** Mark Leitschuh, Ken Sipes, Brett Sollberger and Joe Walls; **Greeters:** Josh & Jenni Hunt; **Organist:** Jo White; **Altar Guild:** Todd & Sheryl Moore.

September 16 at 10:30 a.m. Acolyte: Emma Schlechte; **Ushers:** Ted Fedder, Keith Jackson, Mark Schlemmer and Tony Sipes; **Greeter:** Sheryl Moore; **Bulletin Collator:** Kelly Felax; **Pianist:** Tim Wittenberg; **Flowers:** In Honor of Ken & Judy Sipes Wedding Anniversary.

ON SATURDAY:

September 22 at 6:00 p.m. Acolyte: Ellie Corder; **Elders:** ; **Ushers:** Brion Boeshans, Kevin Campe, Sam Italiano and Seth Schaefer; **Greeters:** Len & Judy Sues; **Pianist:** Jen Wittenberg; **Altar Guild:** Verona Meier and Pat Peverly.

ON SUNDAY:

September 23 at 8:00 a.m. Acolyte: Emma Kilzer; **Ushers:** Jacob Doyle, Steve Doyle, Ted Flath and Brett Sollberger; **Greeter:** Sheryl Moore; **Pianist:** Jen Wittenberg.

September 23 at 10:30 a.m. Acolyte: Amelia Sievers; **Elder:** ; **Ushers:** Jason Kesterson, Bruce McLaughlin, Colin McLaughlin and Tony Sipes; **Greeters:** Jeanette Gindler and Jo Ann Harris; **Bulletin Collator:** Verona Meier; **Altar Guild:** Verona Meier and Pat Peverly; ; **Pianist:** Jen Wittenberg; **Flowers:** In Honor of Ed & Darilyn Johnson 55th Wedding Anniversary.

ON SATURDAY:

September 29 at 6:00 p.m. Acolyte: Katelyn Godell; **Elders:** ; **Ushers:** Brion Boeshans, Sam Italiano, Seth Schaefer and Kyle Sipes; **Greeters:** LWML Members; **Organist:** Jo White; **Altar Guild:** Yvonne Rieger and Penny Schuessler.

ON SUNDAY:

September 30 at 8:00 a.m. Acolyte: Ian Carruthers; **Ushers:** Jacob Doyle, Mike Hampton, Fred Patterson and Joe Walls; **Greeters:** LWML Members; **Organist:** Claudia Loethen; **Altar Guild:** Yvonne Rieger and Penny Schuessler.

September 30 at 10:30 a.m. Acolyte: Alexia Clover; **Elder:** ; **Ushers:** Ryan Kaffer, Jason Kesterson, Dave Thomas and Tim Wittenberg; **Greeters:** LWML Members; **Bulletin Collator:** Todd & Sheryl Moore; **Organist:** Claudia

NATIONAL LUTHERAN YOUTH GATHERING

The July 2019 LCMS National Youth Gathering will take place in Minneapolis, MN. The theme is Real.Present.God based on Psalm 46. This time we have 4 youth attending. Maddie Kaffer, Samantha Kilzer, Hannah Norris, and Emma Kilzer. Rachael Beckemeyer will be leading the youth once again this year.

As a part of major fundraising (which began mid-August) we are once again incorporating the “Giving Tree.”



Unlike other fundraisers, this one functions as a give back as well as fundraiser. What we are asking the congregation to do is choose an envelope from the wall in the Narthex. Some envelopes have numbers and some are blank. If you choose an envelope with a number, please place that amount inside the envelope and return to the box below the poster wall. As we raise money we will be giving back to the congregation. Check out the Chart to see how much we have raised and what new and exciting things we will be giving back to the church.

Be on the look out for Dine to Donate opportunities and KIDS DAY OUT. More information soon!



Saint Paul's 
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Golf Scramble

Returns October 20th

Shotgun Start at 9:00am Oak Brook Golf Course

Event offers:

Closest to the Pin Competition
Long Drive Competition

Flighted Cash Payouts
Skins & Mulligans
Ultimate Putting Competition

Contact Dave Thomas for info:

Office (314) 889-8414
Cell (217) 821-3404

David.R.Thomas@efleets.com

www.saintpaulstroy.org

 \$70.00 a player

 \$280.00 a team

Includes:

 Golf & Cart fee

 Soup & Sandwich



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 &
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018
7:00 a.m. to Noon

**SAINT PAUL'S
RUMMAGE SALE**
Tri-Township Park Pavilion
Troy, Illinois

It's time to clean out your closets, basement, garage, attic, and storage shed and donate any items that you no longer use or want:

CLOTHING
HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
FURNITURE
COLLECTIBLES
HOLIDAY DECORATIONS
TOYS, GAMES

BOOKS
LINENS
TOOLS
EXERCISE EQUIPMENT.
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Donations of working, saleable items will be accepted at the park pavilion (by the lake):

Sunday, 9/9, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 9/10, 9/11, 9/12, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9/13, 9:00 a.m. to **NOON**

NOTE: NO Televisions, Computers, Printers, or Mattresses

RUMMAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS

It takes many volunteers to make this sale a success. We are counting on YOU. Please e-mail Tiffany James to let her know when you can help (tmagnus99@gmail.com) or complete this sheet and return it to the school office. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Name _____

Sunday, September 9, 1-3 p.m. (set-up, sort and organize) _____

Sorting and organizing will take place on the following dates. Please indicate the times you are available to work.

Monday, September 10, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. _____ to _____

Tuesday, September 11, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. _____ to _____

Wednesday, September 12, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. _____ to _____

Thursday, September 13, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. _____ to _____

Friday, September 14, 6:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. _____ to _____

Saturday, September 15, 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. _____ to _____

Contact Info: Phone _____ E-mail _____



Eat Pizza to Raise Some Dough!



Join us at Dewey's Pizza 112 E. Vandalia St. in Edwardsville

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School are invited to dinner
20% of all food & beverage purchases from 4pm – 10pm

(dine-in or carry-out) will be donated to

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

112 East Vandalia Street, Edwardsville, IL 62025

(618) 656-2200

DEWMORE

**SIUE Students for Life
PRESENTS**

TRIVIA NIGHT



Friday

September 14th

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30, TRIVIA STARTS AT 7

Snacks and drinks provided

10 Rounds! Cash Prize!

\$10 PER PERSON | TABLES OF 6-10 PLAYERS

**? All proceeds raised will benefit SIUE
Students for Life and A Beacon of Light
Pregnancy Help Center**

**Sign your team up by calling 217-801-8758 or
emailing siuesfl@gmail.com**

SIUE Campus, Morris University Center

2nd floor in the Conference Center

Free parking in Lot B and C next to the Morris University Center

PosterMyWall.com

St. Paul's Science Camp

This past month at St. Paul's Lutheran School, 29 third through sixth grade students eagerly took part in St. Paul's Science Camp. Science teacher Jennifer Doyle assisted by electrical engineer Gene Roehl, St. Paul's alum Jack Kenison, and eighth graders Abby Kesterson, Emma Kilzer, and Ellie Corder led Science Camp participants in exploring five areas of science using hands-on STEAM techniques. Students worked in groups performing experiments, analyzing data, and inventing ways to improve their results. These eager learners studied air flow, used their findings to design solar ovens, and then baked cookies in them! They also created their own battery powered and wind-up toys and tasted the effects of water purification after constructing a solar still. Students reflected on God's amazing design when He created us with the ability to see in color and hear sound as they learned how colors blend and separate and experimented with sounds waves. Campers practiced the scientific method and data collection using balances all while doing fun activities such as chewing and blowing bubble gum. What fun these enthusiastic scientists had making discoveries about the world around them!





Sunday, October 21

3:00-6:00 P.M.

Saint Paul's Lutheran

Ministry Center and School Yard

*Chili Cook Off

Bonfire

Yard Games

Tractor Rides

Apple Bobbing

Pumpkin Painting

Roasted Hot Dogs & S'mores

*Chili judging at 4:30 P.M. Prize for 1st Place!

Did You Miss Rally Day?

Last Sunday, a large group of St. Paul's children and adults gathered in the Ministry Center for a "Rally Day". It's time to rally back to Sunday School, Jr. High Bible class, High School Bible class and/or Adult Bible class.

What's that you say? You kept attending Bible class all summer? Great! Jesus didn't take a vacation from you either.

What's that you say? You don't attend Sunday School or one of the Sunday morning Bible classes. Well, then rally, which means "come together". For what are we rallying on Sunday mornings? We come together to Praise the Lord at the top of our voices with a group of our peers. How wonderful it is to be so comfortable sharing the love of Christ with one another. It is through that strengthening of faith that we can more boldly lift Christ up in our everyday life to those we encounter.

So what did you miss if you missed Rally Day last week?

Spirit filled JOY! FUN! LAUGHTER! CONVERSATION! GAMES! SHARING!
REFRESHMENTS!

That's all! LOL! It was enough fuel to skip through this past week with the light of Jesus boldly shining through all who attended.

The Sunday School teachers wish to thank Pastor and Penny for their very Tony Award performances as Theophilus and Little Kyle as they performed a smashing puppet show.



And the show was made especially GRAND with the gift of a puppet theater, THE PRAISE PLAYHOUSE, built by and gifted to the Sunday School by Kyle Rood. It is a beautiful example of using the talents given to Kyle by God to give Glory back to the Lord. Thanks, Kyle!!! But before we leave summer, the Sunday School teachers would also like to take time to thank those who volunteered to help out this summer, so the regular staff could take a week or two off to vacation with their families. So thanks, to Jennifer Mallette, Wendy Sievers, Bonnie Levo, Ida Doyle, Rachel Beckemeyer, and Susan Lilienkamp, for being there for us.

SO, LET'S RALLY!! ALL OF US COME TOGETHER!