AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

4th	Daniel Buman	18th	Erica Quinn
7th	Marcus Brandt		Herbert Rieckmann
9th	Stanley Buman	20th	Lee Kohler
11th	Gloria Mihna	21st	Carissa Laabs
	Bruce Roesler	22nd	Cody Laabs
12th	Scott Mueller	23rd	Dennis Huettl
	Braelyn Huettle	25th	Timothy Meyer
13th	Kyle Guyette	28th	Gerald Smith
16th	Marvin Selle	29th	Theodore Roloff
17th	Sue Spiegel		William Roloff

ANNIVERSARIES

8/19/1995	Pastor Bill & Bonnie Finn
8/22/2015	Mario & Lindsey Anaya
8/24/1968	Warren & Joanne Mueller
8/25/2013	Tom & Stacia VanderWielen



<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: If we have missed your birthday or wedding anniversary, please let Pastor Finn know so he can update our lists (revwfinn@gmail.com)

ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS



St. Paul, Dale can receive gifts electronically through a secure online website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone or tablet and you will be redirected to St Paul's online giving portal, or visit *www.stpauldale.com* and click on the online giving

link. The option "**Special Projects**" can be used to give toward our Painting Project.

PASTOR OUT OF TOWN: Please note that Pastor Finn will be out of town Sunday, Sept 9 (and also Sept 11 thru Sept 23) guest speaking for a church anniversary and also on vacation. Pastor Peter Kesting will be on call in the event of an emergency (Cell phone: 574-5005).



"Making Friends for Eternity"

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ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Member Congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) PASTOR WILLIAM A FINN & OFFICE PHONE: 779–6777 & CELL PHONE: 538-1567 Website: www.stpauldale.com & Email: revwfinn@gmail.com



Dear flock of God at St Paul,

What do you think about your church? Is it special to you? If so, why? What would your answer sound like? "I like the...at St Paul," Or, "I remember when we..." Or, "St Paul is where we first..." Or, "I like it when we...at St Paul."

Memories and shared experiences accumulate with time. It's like that at home. It's like that with church, too.

Regular (weekly) worship is important from little on. Impressions are made; patterns are set. While not everyone might necessarily get to grow up in the same church all their life, God wants church to be woven into the entire fabric of our lives from start to finish. The reason? Church is where God reveals his grace and mercy to sinners and feeds us through Word and sacrament. Through honesty of preaching and teaching in sermons, Bible class and Sunday School, sinners are constantly turned in repentance and faith to Jesus, AND are equipped to follow Jesus and live for him as his disciples.

So, the real question isn't, "What do I think about my church?" The real issue is, "Why do I need Jesus?" and why is he worthy of my worship every week. As we stand before God, we know full well that we're covered in sin. Our first concern ought to be how apart from Christ we are only objects of God's wrath. Reflecting on our daily sin against Him, the Apostle Paul exclaimed, "What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death?" (Rom.7:24)

Which brings us back to the real issue: Jesus and mission of the church. God the Father wants all people to have a deep-down, meaningful relationship with Him through His Son. The Church exists to point sinners to Jesus by proclaiming the good news that He has rescued us from sin and death. The psalmist said, "With my mouth I will greatly extol the LORD; in the great throng of worshipers I will praise him." (Psalm 109:30) See Next Page...

So what do you think about your church? Is it special to you? If so, why? More and more, may your answer keep coming back to Jesus, your Savior. Pray that God keeps your church ever faithful to the good news about him, and ask him to bring that same joy to many others through us!

Past, Bili Fim

CHURCH NEWS & NOTES

PAINTING PROJECT SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 2019!



With past memorials & special offerings received to date, we are pleased to announce that we have enough to begin painting of the chancel (very front of church). The work will begin shortly after Christmas in the month of January. As the project date nears we still welcome special offerings for this purpose so we can still have enough to cover our regular operating expenses. A sincere thanks to everyone giving to this project and our operating fund as you are able. It

promises to be a nice improvement to our sanctuary that will glorify the Savior we worship here! See the back page of this newsletter to learn how to give an electronic gift toward this purpose.

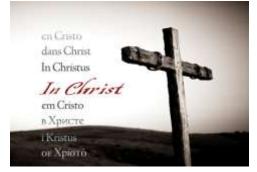
<u>TIMBERRATTLERS</u> OUTING: Tickets are being purchased for our church outing to the TimberRattlers game on Fri, Aug 3rd; Cost: \$9; 7:05 pm game; fireworks (*Deadline to sign up was July 15--Get more game-day details at church*).





SAVE THE DATE: Chris Driesbach in Concert at St Paul, Dale. Wed., Aug.15th-7:00 PM. Food served at 5:30 PM right up to the time of the concert (Sweet corn, hot dogs, sloppy joes) Hear Chris tell his story of going from an atheist to a Christian songwriter. Bring a lawn chair and a friend!!

NEW SERMON SERIES AT ST PAUL...



"In CHRIST"

Each week we explore ways we are blessed together by our faith connection to Christ!

July 15–Praise God for all His Grace, *in Christ* (Eph 1:3-14) July 22–We are recipients of His Grace, *in Christ* (Eph 2:13-22) July 29–Revealing His grace to others, *in Christ* (Eph 3:1-16) Aug 5–We live changed lives, *in Christ* (Eph 4:17-24) Aug 12–Forgiving One Another, *in Christ* (Eph 4:30-5:2) Aug 19–God's Will for our lives, *in Christ* (Eph 5:15-20) Aug 26–Saying "I Do," *in Christ* (Eph 5:21-31) Sept 2–Fighting for our Life, *in Christ* (Eph 6:10-20)



Take the sermon deeper through take-home resources available families & individuals each week. Resources posted online at **www.stpauldale.com** and on the St Paul **Church app.**

COUNCIL SETS 10-YEAR PLEDGE AMOUNT TO FVLHS

The theme, "Let the Children Come" is guiding federation churches as we pledge our support to Fox Valley Lutheran High School's new building project. From 2000-2018 St Paul, Dale gave a total of \$21,905 in member gifts & offerings to FVLHS (88 total gifts). St Paul is pledging the same amount in the future (20-year pledge at \$538/year), *as we are able*. It's a goal we are setting for ourselves. More info & updates in FVL's July 2018 BEACON, *included with this newsletter*.



WORSHIP LIVE EVERY SUNDAY 9 AM ON LIVESTREAM.COM - Search for St Paul, Dale



WELS is coming out with another movie that follows Paul's remarkable visit to the city of Philippi, recorded in Acts 16. It follows in the sequence of "Road to Emmaus," "Come Follow Me," and "My Son My Savior" and is the fourth and final movie from WELS, titled "To the Ends of the Earth." It shows how Paul connected with people from all walks of life and that the good news about Jesus is for all people everywhere—to the very ends of the earth. <u>Release date for the movie is September 1,</u> 2018. As a congregation we are pre-ordering a bulk quantity of this DVD (100 DVDs at \$200 per box, plus shipping--sign-up at church to gets your copy and a few for friends). All orders must be received by September 7, 2018. Orders will ship by mid-September. Special Envelopes to help with the cost are available in the entryway now.

How we plan to use this movie in our congregation:

- A themed Sunday School lesson based on the movie, as well as a series of Teen & Adult Bible studies.
- ➤ A special movie night at St Paul to see it together.

C18: An Outreach Initiative for Christmas 2018

Little too early to be talking about Christmas you say? Not if you're planning something really BIG! WELS Churches are setting a goal to reach one million souls



this Christmas Eve! Yes, it's aggressive, but given the size of our church body, realistic. Some of those one-million will hear the gospel as they accept an invitation to join our congregation on Christmas Eve. Watch for more information, resources and encouragement for evangelism project in the coming months!

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW

It's time to register for the 2018-2019 Sunday School season. **Register online at stpauldale.com (preferred)** Or you may also fill in your child's information in the tear-off section below and hand it to Pastor or Bonnie Finn at church (Or mail it in). Mailing address: St. Paul Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 188, Dale,



WI 54931. Or call in your info! (920) 779-6777. Sunday School classes (Pre-K thru Gr. 5) begin Sunday, September 9th at 8:00 am. (Dates for Grade 6-8 Confirmation *TBA*) **ALL new AND returning Sunday Schoolers--PLEASE register today!**

Our classroom assignments for Sunday School will be the same as last year: **PreK-Grade 2 - Grade 3-5.**

-----REGISTRATION INFORMATION------

Child's Name: First		
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Grade (entering into):	Birthday:	
Age: Father's Name: _		
Mother's Name:		
Mailing address:		
Home phone:	Cell phone:	
E-Mail address:		
Please list any health or othe	er concerns we shoul	d be aware of

YEAR 1-2 CONFIRMATION CLASS AT ST PAUL

The following young people are enrolled in Grade 7-8 confirmation:

- Year 1 Madeline Danke, Madeline Dougherty & Olivia Peters.
- Year 2 Conner Grossman-Powell, Ben Harrmann & Ethan Peters

Year 1 Confirmation students will meet for orientation on date to be announced in September (Classroom teaching for both groups will not begin in until Pastor Finn returns from a vacation - gone Sept 11-23). A Bible, Catechism and a plain 3-ring binder is provided to students for handouts they receive (No other supplies required). Regular weekly memory work is assigned.



But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ~ 2 Peter 3:18

THANK YOU!



We thank Ben Kohler for donating his time as an electrician to replace one of the service panels at St Paul. Pictured with Ben is his father, Lee, who was helping too. Fixing the service panel is one phase of the work Ben is doing. He is also helping us update light fixtures downstairs in the fellowship hall. We thank them for lending their time and expertise in service to the Lord and his people at St Paul!

And thank you, members of St Paul for your generous offerings that continue to fund special project like these!

An opportunity to explore membership at St. Paul



A spiritual and personal study to grow closer to God through

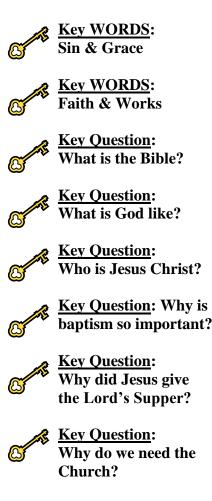
- Four key words and
 - Six key questions

about Christianity

KEYS TO LIFE IS A BIBLE STUDY FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO:

- Explore the basic beliefs of Christianity
- Gain a more thorough understanding of the Bible.
- Gain confidence in telling others about Christianity.
- Understand St. Paul and the Lutheran Church better.
- Join our congregation.

Pace yourself. Take just a few keys at a time (*ie. the four key words*), then see if you want to keep going. Or, study all ten key words and questions in a row).



Schedule your Keys to Life start with Pastor Finn Today!

Ephesians sermon series Aug 15 - Sept 2

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