

April 2019

“Proclaim”

The Newsletter of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church



DATES

TO REMEMBER

April 15

Red Cross Blood Drive
12:30- 5:30 PM
School Gym

April 19-22

No School
Easter Break

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 14
Worship 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Maundy Thurs, April 18
Worship 3:30 & 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 19
Worship 1:30 PM

Easter - April 21

Easter Dawn Worship
with Communion
6:00 AM

Easter Festival Worship
with Communion
9:00 AM

Easter Breakfast
7:00 AM

April 25

LWMS Spring Rally
St. Paul, Hillsboro
9:00 AM

April 28

St. Paul's School
“Spring Fling”
1:30 PM

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From the Pastor

Christ, the Life of All the Living (CW 114)

*Christ, the Life of all the living, Christ, the Death of death, our foe,
Who, thyself for me once giving to the darkest depths of woe—
Through thy sufferings, death, and merit I eternal life inherit.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, dearest Jesus, unto thee.*

*Thou hast suffered great affliction and hast borne it patiently,
Even death by crucifixion, fully to atone for me.
Thou didst choose to be tormented that my doom should be prevented.
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be, dearest Jesus, unto thee.*

While there are many great ones out there, the Advent/Christmas season and the Lent/Easter season are favorites for hymns, aren't they? What Christian wouldn't find great joy in all the wonderful songs that declare the good news and blessings that come from our Savior's birth, death, and resurrection?

But then what?

Isn't that often the problem for us, the “then what?” Not just when it comes to Christmas and Easter, but confirmation, graduation, special birthday and anniversary celebrations—then what? We've geared up for the event, we've planned for it, in some cases worked hard to achieve it—then what?

It's common for us to have expectations after hitting a milestone or achievement. We envision life a certain way. Sometimes our expectations are fairly well-met. But what happens when they aren't? What happens when life throws lemons at you? Some might tell you to make lemonade, but what if the lemons are stinky, rotting, and completely unusable? What happens when life just stinks?

You may or may not be aware that there have been forums recently down in Loganville to address the very serious issue of farmer stress and suicide awareness. This has to do particularly with dairy farmers. The forums were spurred on by the suicide of a farmer down there. There have been stories about the Wisconsin dairy farming crisis in the Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel and even on former CNN host Soledad O'Brien's show, “*Matter of Fact*,” available on broadcast television to 75% of the nation. The crisis is real and it's serious. There is a lot of sadness, heartache, and despair for a lot of farmers. Wisconsin is losing roughly 2 dairy farms a day. Some people may not understand how hard this is for farmers. They think that a farmer can just get another job. He or she might be able to, might *have to*, but we're talking about a way of life, assets, debt, and the huge challenge of transitioning from farming to another career. It's no small thing, and the pressure can be overwhelming.

I've attended two of the forums that were held in Loganville. There was a lot of good information there for farmers who are struggling, but there was also a lot of sorrow. What troubled me more than anything was hearing the hopelessness in the voices of some of the people there.

I can truly understand how a person can feel such hopelessness. I also know, and you do too,
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CHURCH NEWS

(From the Pastor – continued from page 1)

that Jesus is the very real answer, and really the only answer to hopelessness. But how do you tell a farmer that? And not just a farmer. There are many people in our world and in our area whose lives are not good, who struggle with debt, health, family crises, addictions, legal woes, and many other things. The all-too-common, “You just gotta have faith,” or, “Believe in Jesus. He’ll help you,” doesn’t quite cut it. Not because Jesus doesn’t cut it, but because the message doesn’t share the good news of what Jesus has done and continues to do. Without that good news, the Holy Spirit can’t work in the heart of the person who needs it.

We are closing in on another Easter celebration. The songs speak to our hearts with the good news of a Savior who suffered all for me and now lives for me. The Scriptures and sermons will carry that message minus the music. It’s a message the world needs to hear. We are sending out 3000 cards in the mail soon, inviting people throughout the area to come hear this good news.

Brothers and sisters, pray for the Easter message that will be proclaimed not only at our church but at every church. Pray that every preacher of every church, regardless of denomination, tells the good news that Jesus lives and that sin, death, and Satan have been defeated, that we are saved not by anything we do but by a Savior who has done it all for us. Pray that people everywhere will realize that their sins, which are very real and very damning, have been paid for in full. This is what they need. This is what we all need.

And if there are preachers who won’t be preaching this message on Easter, and, sadly, there will be, pray that they are led to repentance and to see the light of the gospel. Pray also that their false message falls on deaf ears.

And pray for your “then what?” Pray that as you are filled with the live-saving, life-giving news of a living Jesus this Lent/Easter season, that you will see opportunities to share this news with others who need it, and that you will speak up, and that the Lord will use you to break through to them, so that they will find life and join with us in our praise:

***Then, for all that wrought my pardon, for thy sorrows deep and sore,
For thine anguish in the garden, I will thank thee evermore,
Thank thee for thy groaning, sighing, for thy bleeding and thy dying,
For that last triumphant cry, and shall praise thee, Lord, on high.***

DIVINE CALL

On March 17, the voting members of St. Paul’s, extended a call to Mr. Paul Hoffman to serve as principal and 6-8 grade teacher. Mr. Hoffman is currently serving St. Paul Lutheran School in Appleton, WI. He is married with 3 grown children. As Mr. Hoffman deliberates this call and where he can best serve his Savior, please keep him, his family and both congregations in your prayers.

EASTER FOR KIDS

Easter for Kids will be on Sunday, April 14, from 3:00 – 5:00 PM. All children, ages 3 – 8th grade are invited to attend. Walking tacos will be served afterward for parents, children and anyone who would like to come. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church if you would like to attend or donate something. You may also call the church office to let us know your child is coming. If you have questions, contact Sarah Zimmerman at (608) 350-6938.



Holy Week and Easter Worship Times

***Come Worship the Crucified and
Risen Savior***

***Palm Sunday Worship
8:00 and 10:30 AM***

***Maundy Thursday Worship/Communion
3:30 and 7:00 PM***

***Good Friday Worship/Communion
1:30 PM***

***Easter Dawn Worship/Communion
6:00 AM***

***Easter Festival Worship/Communion –
9:00 AM***

***Easter Breakfast served at 7:00 AM
All are invited***

MORE NEWS



School Scoop

Celebrating 139 Years of
Christian Education

Spring is now upon us. With the weather we had, it is easy to say that we have been looking forward to the warmer weather. We also look forward to Easter where we celebrate our Risen Savior, and the freedom he won for us.

With Spring comes change. We have experienced some change at St. Paul's as Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman have accepted their calls to serve as teachers in Reedsville, WI. At the last voters meeting it was decided to call Mr. Paul Hoffman to serve as principal and grades 6-8 teacher. It may take some time before the call is accepted and waiting is a hard thing to do. The Lord already knows who the right person is to serve at St. Paul's in Wonewoc. We must trust in Him fully. In the meantime, ask this question, "What can I do to help?" This is your church and school; what can you do to make it be the best? PRAY! When we gather together as a family of believers, God hears our prayers. When we pray by ourselves, God hears our prayers. There are many ways to help but the most important one is being in the Word.

UPCOMING EVENTS

A Red Cross Blood Drive has been scheduled for April 15 and will be held in the school gym from 12:30 – 5:30 PM.

April 20 is cleanup day for the church and school grounds. Please bring rakes, pruners etc. Start time is 9:00.

All students will be singing at the 9:00 AM service on **Easter Sunday**. Please be here at 8:40 for warm-up.

April 28 is the date set for At. Paul's School "SPRING FLING" musical performance. All classrooms will be performing skits, and music. The time is 1:30 PM. Everyone is invited.



Memorials and Gifts

Fund

In Memory/Honor of

Undesignated

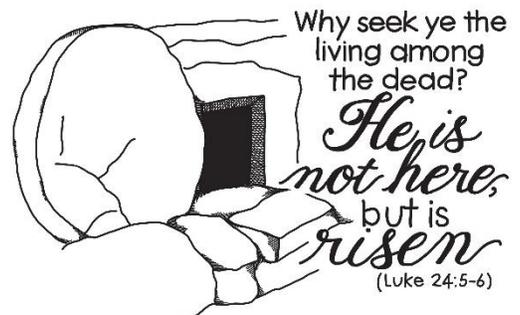
Edward Lange

April Birthdays

This is the day the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it...Psalm 118:24

1. Cooper Erie, Frieda Hagemann, Ronnie Schnurr
2. Patty Grauvogl
4. Julie Kucher
6. Jeff Peesel
7. Gary Pharo
10. Lindsay Hedler, Ben Menches, James Ott, Jr.
11. Brittany Clark, Marilyn Wasson
12. Alex Chouinard, Kelly Clark, Jacob Haase, Arlene Nelson, Nicholas Nelson, Olivia Schultz, Paige Solchenberger
13. Thomas Pagel, Andrew Scott
14. Emersyn Fry, Megan Gardehl
15. Matt Gardehl, Sandy Preuss
16. Chris Heiking, Mara Hubele
17. Travis Fry, Derek Roloff
18. Kris Burnstad, Ann Dorn, Yvonne Feldman, Tyler Hubele, Gary Talg
20. John Pagel, Barb Peesel, Jamie Solchenberger, Jessica McKendree
21. Nathan Degner
22. Terry Kruger, Maureen Nelson
23. Tyler Peterson
25. Ella Boldon, Jacob Ott, Tyler Ott
28. Matthew Hagemann, Danielle Ott
29. Teagon Lando, Beth Reed
30. Haylee Fry

If we missed your birthday, we're sorry.
Please let us know and we will make the correction.





April 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 1:30 PM Ladies Aid Prek/K sings 3:30 PM Lenten Worship - Wonewoc 6:00 PM Lenten Worship - Hillsboro 8:00 PM Sr. Choir	4 9:30 AM Mid-Week Bible Study 6:30 PM Mid-Week Bible Study	5 8:05 AM Chapel	6 2:00 PM Frisk/Vaassen Wedding
7 Gr. 6-8 sing 9:00 AM Worship with Communion 10:15 AM Fellowship, Sunday School, Bible Class	8	9 9:30 AM Circuit Meeting - Reedsburg 6:00 PM Public School Catechism 6:30 PM Panther Parents 7:00 Education Committee	10 Gr. 3-5 sings 3:30 PM Lenten Worship - Wonewoc 6:00 PM Lenten Worship - Hillsboro 8:00 PM Sr. Choir	11 9:30 AM Mid-Week Bible Study 6:30 PM Mid-Week Bible Study	12 8:05 AM Chapel	13 8:00 AM Elders Meeting
14 PALM SUNDAY Sr. Choir sings 8:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Worship 9:15 AM Fellowship, Sunday School, Bible Study	15 Red Cross Blood Drive School Gym 12:30 - 5:30 PM 	16 6:30 PM Trustees Meeting 6:00 PM Public School Catechism	17 8:00 PM Sr. Choir	18 MAUNDY THURSDAY 8:05 AM Chapel 3:30 PM Worship with Communion (Jr. Choir Sings) 7:00 PM Worship with Communion	19 GOOD FRIDAY 1:30 PM Worship with Comunion Sr. Choir sings	20 9:00 AM Spring Cleanup of Church and School Grounds All Volunteers Welcome!
21 EASTER 6:00 AM Easter Dawn Worship/Communion Sr. Choir sings 7:00 AM Easter Breakfast 9:00 AM Easter Festival Worship/Communion School and Choirs sing	22 EASTER BREAK	23	24 6:00 PM Public School Catechism 8:00 PM Sr. Choir	25 9:00 AM LWMS Spring Rally St. Paul, Hillsboro 6:30 PM Mid-Week Bible Study	26 8:05 AM Chapel	27
28 9:00 AM 6-8 & Jr. Choir sings in Kendall 8:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Worship 9:15 AM Fellowship, Sunday School, Bible Study 1:30 PM St. Paul's School "Spring Fling"	29 9:00 AM Newsletter Article and Calendar Deadline	30	 EASTER			



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THIS AND THAT

A DOG FOR AVERY

Avery Reese is a 4-year-old boy that has been diagnosed with epilepsy and developmental delays and a rare chromosomal mutation. In the last two years, he has had over 70 seizures. Anti-seizure medications seem to have little effect on Avery's seizures, and his doctors have stated that he will have them for the rest of his life. His parents, Scott and Sharon Reese, are applying for and hoping to be able to purchase a seizure/companion service dog for Avery. The minimum cost to the family is \$17,000. There are also additional costs for 12 days of training for Scott, Sharon, and Avery. The total cost of a seizure dog can be up to \$60,000. Avery is the great-grandson of Frieda Hagemann and the grandson of Sandra Hagemann. The family is raising money to be put on the list for the service dog. If you would like to help Avery get his dog, you can send your gift to:

Attention: Avery Reese Dog Fund
 % First National Bank at Darlington
 P.O. Box 50
 Darlington, WI 53530

Thank you

CHURCH SIGN PROJECT UNDERWAY

Our new church sign is anticipated to begin construction in late April. The new sign will be a double-sided sign with a lighted night time display. Graphic House Signs from Wausau is constructing and installing the sign. A picture of the design is displayed below.



We will need to remove the stonework from the old sign at some point. The large spruce at the corner of lawn also needs to come down. If anyone is interested in doing this, please contact the church office or talk to one of the Trustees members. Thank you.