



# ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**April 2016**

## Christ is Risen!

## He is Risen Indeed!

## Alleluia!

The celebration of Easter is the high-point of the Christian church-year. Everything we do and celebrate points to and flows from Jesus' death and resurrection. Something happening in the worship life of the congregation? Ask, "what does this have to do with Jesus' death and resurrection?" We could go so far as to look at EVERYTHING that we do as a congregation and ask, "What does this have to do with Jesus' death and resurrection?" Are we proclaiming it? Are we pointing our neighbors, friends, co-workers, and even ourselves to the good news of Jesus' death and resurrection? Yes? Well, then. Let's go!

All four of the gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John) have an account of the dramatic events of that first Easter Sunday morning. There was a lot of coming and going from the garden tomb where Jesus' body had been laid—but was no longer there! Even Jesus himself appears near the tomb. It can all be a little confusing to try and line everything up. I've prepared a chart that goes through the various appearances of Jesus after His resurrection, both immediately and in the weeks that followed. These are recorded in the Gospels, as well as 1 Corinthians 15 and the book of Acts. The important thing to remember is that each writer is writing under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and also from their own perspective. There are going to be differences in what each one records, but there aren't contradictions. Everything fits together to give us a picture of a very busy and emotional morning as the news begins to spread that Jesus was alive again and forever. From this we can have confidence that the eye-witness accounts of the resurrection are reliable and factual and given to us through God's Holy Word.

Easter is a special celebration for the church. Thank you to everyone who make our services so special this year with all their work. The music, bulletins, hymns, choirs, meals, flowers, cleaning, setting-up and taking-down all took many hands. How wonderful to be blessed with so many talented and serving people here in the Body of Christ at St. Paul! Thanks be to God!

Pastor Zielinski

### Jesus' Post-Resurrection Appearances

Account	Recorded	Witnesses	Others Present	Timeframe	Location	Notes
<b>First At the Tomb</b>	Matthew 28:1-8	Mary Magdalene "The Other Mary"	An Angel of the Lord Guards	Sunday Morning	At the Tomb	Women and Guards witness the angel roll the stone away. Earthquake
<b>First At the Tomb</b>	Mark 16:1-8	Mary Magdalene Mary the mother of James Salome	Young man dressed in white	Sunday Morning	At the Tomb	They saw that the stone was rolled away.
<b>First At the Tomb</b>	Luke 24:1-12	"The Women who had come with him from Galilee" Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James "The other women with them"	Two men in dazzling apparel	Sunday Morning	At the Tomb	
<b>First At the Tomb</b>	John 20:1-2	Mary Magdalene		Sunday Morning	At the Tomb	Mary Magdalene came, saw, and went to get Peter and "The Other Disciple"
<b>Peter and the "Other Disciple" arrive at the tomb</b>	John 20:2-10	Peter "The Other Disciple" (John) Mary Magdalene		Later Sunday Morning	At the Tomb	

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<b>Just Peter Arrives at the tomb</b>	Luke 24:12	Peter			At the Tomb	Saw and went home marveling Focuses on Peter but does not discount John and Mary being there too.
<b>Mary Magdalene Sees Jesus</b>	John 20:11-18 Mark 16:9-10	Mary Magdalene	Two Angels Jesus	After Peter and John go back home	At the Tomb	
<b>Jesus appears to the women</b>	Matthew 28:9-10	Mary Magdalene "The Other Mary"	Jesus	On their way back to the disciples	Between Tomb and Home	They took hold of his feet (as in John)
<b>Road to Emmaus</b>	Luke 24:13-35 Mark 16:12-13	Cleopas (Jn 19:25) his wife could have been with the earlier burial party Another Disciple	Jesus	"That very day", nearing evening	On the Road to Emmaus	
<b>Thomas Absent</b>	John 20:19-23 Luke 24:36-43	The Disciples (minus Thomas) The two Emmaus disciples Others?	Jesus	Evening of that day	Somewhere with locked doors Acts 1:13 "The Upper Room where they were staying"	
<b>The 11 while they ate</b>	Mark 16:14-18	The Eleven	Jesus	"Afterward" Could be the same account of the Upper Room from Sunday night Also similar to Matthew 28 where Jesus commissions them		
<b>Thomas Present</b>	John 20:24-29	Thomas The Other Disciples	Jesus	Sunday Evening, one week later	Somewhere with locked doors Acts 1:13 "The Upper Room where they were staying"	
<b>By the Sea of Tiberias</b>	John 21:1-14	Peter, Thomas (the Twin), Nathanael of Cana, the Sons of Zebedee (James and John), two other of his disciples	Jesus	"After this"	Sea of Tiberias (Sea of Galilee)	
<b>On the Road to Damascus</b>	Acts 9:1-18 1Corinthians 15:8	Saul "Men travelling with him"	Jesus	After Pentecost After Stephen is stoned After the persecution has been going on	Road to Damascus	
<b>To Cephas (Peter)</b>	1st Corinthians 15:5	Cephas	Jesus	Unknown	Unknown	
<b>Then to the 12</b>	1st Corinthians 15:5	The Twelve	Jesus	Unknown	Unknown	
<b>To 500 at one time</b>	1st Corinthians 15:6	500 Brothers	Jesus	Unknown	Unknown	
<b>To James</b>	1st Corinthians 15:7	James (which?)	Jesus	Unknown	Unknown	
<b>Then to all the apostles</b>	1st Corinthians 15:7	All the Apostles (including Matthias?)	Jesus	Unknown	Unknown	
<b>On a Mountain in Galilee</b>	Matthew 28:16-20 Mark 16:14-18?	The Eleven	Jesus	No timeframe given	Mountain in Galilee	
<b>Ascension</b>	Acts 1:6-11 Luke 24:50-53	The Apostles (11)	Jesus two men in white robes	40 days after Easter	Mount of Olives	

## LWML

The **LWML Ohio District** is collecting the following items to take to our 2016 convention in Cincinnati. Please place them in the tub in the narthex. **Used eyeglasses, cancelled stamps, empty prescription bottles/containers, and used orthopedic braces.** If you have any of these items we will be glad to take them to Cincinnati.

Don't forget to stop by our **Bake Sale** at the Swiss Steak Dinner on **April 9<sup>th</sup>**. If you are able to bake something, please let us know by signing up at the Welcome Center. You may drop off your baked goods at the church on Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup> after 10:00am.

We will be collecting clothing through April 17<sup>th</sup>. If you have any clothing to donate please drop it off in the church basement (the old nursery room). If steps are difficult for you, grab one of our younger members to help you out.

## QUILTERS

Anyone interested in quilting is invited to join us on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 pm. Bring your favorite scissors and see what's happening! If you would like to piece a quilt, we have several quilts cut that need to be sewn. If you would like to bind a quilt, there are several tops ready to go. You may take these "in progress" quilts home to finish or do a portion of them. There are also quilts of different sizes to work on. We will have a sewing project in progress soon. Questions: contact Jeanette Rafter or Judy Renz. Beautiful work Ladies!



## **ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE**

The committee, along with Pastor and Dean Bremke, has met several times to compose a gift acceptance policy, (GAP) for our congregation. This policy outlines procedures for accepting and using both monetary and material gifts from God's generous people, gifts designated for the endowment fund and other ministries. The draft will be submitted to the executive board for consideration and approval and will be presented to the congregation in its completed, approved format.

Further work awaits the committee, including how best to invest and use the funds. Besides Pastor and Dean, members are Joyce Willson, Gil Haury, and Paula Pietch. Once groundwork requisites are completed, progress will be shared with St. Paul congregation. Please watch future newsletters and bulletins for updates and encouragement to support St. Paul ministries through various venues. God is so faithful in His support of us and supplies so many ways we can show our thankfulness as we use His gifts to further His ministry here on earth.

If you would like to participate on the committee, please let one of the members, Pastor, or Dean Bremke know of your interest. We would love to welcome you! Paula Pietch

## **WELLNESS PROGRAM**

St. Paul's Blood Pressure Clinic is ready to open on April 10th! We are blessed to have numerous nurses in our congregation who are willing to help you monitor your blood pressure, review your medication and discuss healthy life styles. The clinic will be open the second Sunday of the month after each service. And anyone is welcomed!

You will find us in the private room next to the kitchen. A sign will be posted outside the door on the specific Sundays we are open. When the door is open, walk in! Your information will be kept confidential between you and the nurse, and you can have your records copied at any time to share with your physician.

Thanks to Thrivent monies, we have purchased equipment for this clinic which will be kept at the church for our members.

A Health Fair is coming to St. Paul on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>! Stay tuned for more information.

## **TRUSTEES**

Please remove all wreaths and decorations from the cemetery by April 10, 2016 to allow for upcoming work in the cemetery and to allow for lawn mowing.

In 2016, we will again offer engraved pavers to be inserted in the cross in the Memorial Garden. A number of individuals have already placed orders. These are the 8"x 8" bricks to honor or remember family and friends. Cost is \$100 each depending upon inscription and design. Deadline for ordering the brick is May 31. The bricks will be done and installed by August. Please see Dianne Holland for more details. All proceeds go for upkeep of the cemetery.

Please mark your calendars for **Spring Clean-up Day** for 9am on Saturday, **May 7**. We could use any help to keep your church clean and spotless. Depending on the weather, both inside and outside clean-up activities will be needed.

We are not sure when either Grafton Township or Valley City will be having their “Dumpster Days”, usually over a weekend in May, however, if you can help for a couple of hours to clean out the garage and church basement, please see a Trustee or leave a note in the mailbox.

## EVANGELISM

Welcome to the many visitors coming to our Sunday School and worship services. Another welcome to the many new members joining St. Paul Lutheran Church. Once again, wearing name tags, to identify each other, was fun and beneficial. We're happy all of you are here - joining together in fellowship, prayer, and praise to God, our Heavenly Father.

Two members have joined our church's Card Ministry - Carol Hesketh and Wendy Patrick. Your interest is appreciated by all. Thank you for your dedication to this important ministry. Anyone wishing to be a part of this ministry, please contact Marilynn Rauhaus or Cindy Hawke in the church office.

Thank you for all the extra cards given to the Card Ministry for their use - and, also, the stickers for the Wiggle Bags. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated!

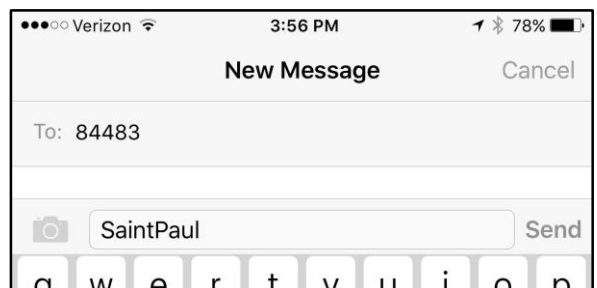
Some members are sending greeting cards to others in our church, for various reasons, and to our special members - the shut-ins. Thank you for your time and effort in keeping these special people in contact with all the happenings at church. Remember- these mailings, and phone calls, too, are important.

## MOBILE AND ONLINE GIVING

Quick and secure online giving is available at our homepage: **spvc.org**. Don't carry cash? What are checks? Do everything on your phone? Want an email receipt?

Visit **spvc.org** and click “Give Online.” Yes, you can do it during the offering.

**TEXT UPDATES** Stay connected to everything going on at St. Paul. Sign up for text updates and receive occasional announcements, urgent prayer requests, cancellations, and other information. Text the keyword **SaintPaul** to the number **84483**. We use “RainedOut” as our text provider. It's free, but your normal text message rates apply.





## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. Barnyard Roundup is the theme and the materials are in. We are rounding up volunteers for a fun filled week of Bible School. If you are interested in helping out this year, please see Colleen Kato. Bible School will be the week of June 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **YOUTH GROUP**

The Youth Group is planning a Bowling event for April 10. If any youth members are interested, please see Molly Ross, Liz Kato, or Grace Praisler for more details.

## **THANK YOU**

Thank you to all the members who brought in food for either our afternoon luncheon or Soup Supper during lent. The food and Christian Fellowship was enjoyed by all who attended.

Thank you to all the caring members of St. Paul who reached out to us in support and prayers in our time of need. Your kindness will always be remembered. We are very grateful to be part of the St. Paul Christian Family. With heartfelt thanks, Trinity Barajas and Family.

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

*(January 2015 through March 2016)*

Isabel Spry, David and Carol Hesketh, Gary and Kyle Kirkenbauer, Lillian Wilson  
Aaron, Jill, Caleb, Morgan, Liam & Claire Bores  
Len Maver, Corrinne Palmer, Tammy Rhodes, Ashley Read, Sarah Read,  
Fiametta Schnurr, Declan & Delaney Herbert, Charlotte Provenzano  
Dennis II, Linda, Alaina & Dennis III Goodhart,  
Samuel Jr., Peggy, Madison, Sammy & Alexander Jakabcic  
Maryann Chavayda, Kathe Stumpf, Scott Schuster, Scott & Frances Leu  
Gabriella Read, Claire Knirsch, Anna Gottl, Louise Gittinger,  
Richard, Judy, Miranda, Jared & Stephanie Pflaum  
Allysa, Izsac and Evie Metzger, Heinrich and Irmgard Cordes

# Annual Golf Outing

St. Paul Lutheran Church Valley City, OH

**Saturday June 4, 2016**

**Bunker Hill Golf Course, 3060 Pearl Road, Medina, OH**  
18 Holes of Golf: Four Person Scramble (best ball format)

**Helping to support current and future seminary  
students of the  
Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.**

- 8:00 AM Registration, Coffee, Donuts & Putting Contest
- 9:00 AM Golf 18 Holes
- Skins Game Available
- Contests & Cash Prizes
- Drinks & Hotdogs at the Turn
- 2:30 - 4:00 Steak Dinner
- Beer, Pop & Water
- Raffles, Baskets & Silent Auction to follow Dinner
- And Good Fellowship!

**Pricing Per Person: Golf, Lunch, Dinner & Contests: \$90**  
**Dinner Only: \$25**

**Registration:** See back side for registration forms.  
Or, on online at: [www.spvc.org](http://www.spvc.org)



**Dinner:** Grilled Steak, Potatoes, Garden Salad, Rolls & Dessert.  
Ice Cold Beer, Pop & Water. Bunker Hill also has a full service bar.

**Sponsorships Available:** See Registration Form for: Each Hole, Contests, and Dinner. For more information contact church office at: 330-483-3883

**Please mail forms to:** St. Paul 1377 Lester Rd. Valley City, OH 44280  
Or, return form and payment to St. Paul welcome center collection box.

**Please have your Forms and Payments in by May 22, 2016**

## Tee Up For Students—Registration — Golf & Dinner



Name of Golfer 1. \_\_\_\_\_ \$90.00

Name of Golfer 2. \_\_\_\_\_ \$90.00

Name of Golfer 3. \_\_\_\_\_ \$90.00

Name of Golfer 4. \_\_\_\_\_ \$90.00

Sub Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorships: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person for confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Bunker Hill Golf Course June 4, 2016

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1377 Lester Rd. Valley City, OH 44280

\$ \_\_\_\_ **Dinner Sponsor**

Yes, I'll help sponsor  
the meal!

**\$100 Hole Sponsor**

Yes, I'll sponsor a hole!  
A sign with your name  
At the tee box!

**\$25 Family Sponsor**

Yes, Name mentioned  
At golf outing!

## Tee Up For Students—Registration — Dinner Only



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Dinner Only 4. \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00

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## Church Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 am Worship</b> <b>9:15 SS &amp; Bible Class</b> <b>Golf outing Committee 11:30</b>	CONFIRMATION 6:00pm HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	LWML MEETING 10:00am	Bible Class 11:30am Worship Committee 6:30pm	Choir practice 7:00pm		<b>SWISS STEAK DINNER 4:30- 6:30pm</b>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 am Worship</b> <b>9:15 SS &amp; Bible Class</b> <b>Blood Pressure Clinic</b> <b>Youth Bowling</b>	CONFIRMATION 6:00pm HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	ELDER MEETING 7:00am	Bible Class 11:30am	Choir practice 7:00pm		Food Pantry 10:30am
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 am Worship Serv.</b> <b>9:15 SS &amp; Bible Class</b>	CONFIRMATION 6:00pm HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	<b>Jeff Burgess CALL DAY 8:00pm</b>	LWML sorting clothes 8:30a  Bible Class 11:30am	Choir practice 7:00pm		

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## Birthday/Anniversary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					Julia Heffinger	Tricia Hibler
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>Jim &amp; Trena Tighe # 40</b>	<b>Emil &amp; Audrey Paliokas # 52</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Judy Scaife # 41</b>	Jeannie Burgess John Silk		<b>Tim &amp; Maria Tighe # 10</b> Debbie Weigel Lenore Winterstein	Chris Schnurr
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Tom Albrecht Abigail Klooz Stephanie Krueger	Kayleigh Keller Gary Kirchenbauer	Rosie Hibler	Maryann Chavayda Terry Jansen Wendy Patrick Mark Ross	Jeri Bosela Laura Provenzano
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>John &amp; Susan Willkom # 23</b>  Teresa Luthy	Carol Hesketh	Kyle Bremke	<b>Andy &amp; Wendy Patrick # 42</b> Matt Buddie Sarah Read Sarah Scheiman Brian Witt	Matt Bosela Samantha Shook		Walter Dill Lauren Jaeger
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Fran Leu Lillian Wilson	Susan Adams Amy Cloudy Jerome Duran		<b>Paul &amp; Dianne Schultz # 53</b>	<b>Carl &amp; Chris Strekely # 43</b> Dennis Goodhart II Bill Moysey	Jonathan Klooz	

# Swiss Steak Dinner

April 9

4:30 - 6:30

Adults: \$12  
Children (6-12) \$6  
5 and under: free  
take-out available

Swiss Steak & fixin's  
Country Sweet & Sour Slaw  
Homemade Desserts!

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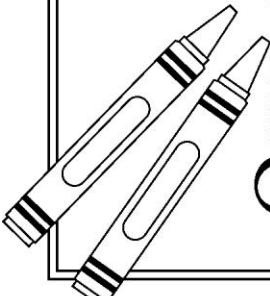
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## OUR LIVING HOPE

Easter is a time to rejoice because of what God did for us in sending his Son. Jesus is our living hope. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV) below. Then find the **bold** words in the crossword search.

**"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great **mercy** he has given us **new birth** into a **living hope** through the **resurrection** of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an **inheritance** that can **never perish, spoil or fade** — **kept in heaven** for you . . . ."**

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