



ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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May 2016

Confirmed in Christ

Each spring, all over the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod young people don white robes and corsages, stand before their brothers and sisters in Christ, and confess the faith as they have learned it from Scripture and the Small Catechism. With a special scripture verse picked for them, they receive a blessing and are welcomed to receive the Lord's body and blood in the Sacrament of the Altar. What a joyous day!

Do you remember your confirmation day? Were you in 8th grade or an adult? What's your confirmation verse?

What is "Confirmation"? Confirmation is the culmination of deliberate instruction in the chief articles of the Christian faith. While it is not a sacrament in itself (like Baptism or the Lord's Supper) it is how we prepare Christians to receive the Lord's Supper in faith and confidence.

Why Confirmation? We look to Scripture for everything:

1. **Matthew 28:19-20:** [Jesus said] ¹⁹"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
2. **Deuteronomy 6:7:** You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.
3. **Matthew 10:32-33:** ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

In making disciples of all nations we are called to baptize and to "teach all things." The responsibility for instructing the youth of the congregation lies with their parents. The members of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church have committed themselves to partnering with parents to provide for the instruction of their children leading to the rite of Confirmation and receiving the Lord's Supper.

Also, St. Paul writes:

²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. ²⁷ Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. ²⁹ For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. 1 Corinthians 11:26–29 (ESV)

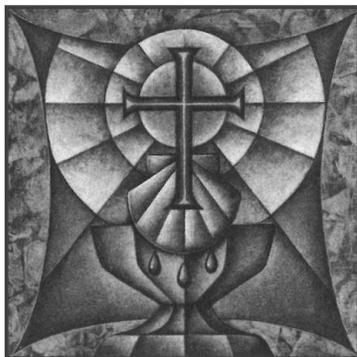
What a blessing to come to the Lord's Supper and proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again! Confirmation instruction is about fulfilling God's call to teach our children and lead them to receiving the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner by examining themselves in faith, desiring forgiveness for their sins, and looking to Jesus Body and Blood for that forgiveness. We are truly worthy and well prepared when we have faith in Christ's words, "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." It's not about being "good enough." The Lord's Supper is for sinners ... it is for you!

On May 1 we will welcome five young people to the Lord's Table. Come and celebrate with them as they confess their faith before God and man and rejoice to receive Christ's Body and Blood.

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!
Alleluia!

Pastor Zielinski

PS New to St. Paul? This summer we will have "Adult Christian Instruction" which is an opportunity for you to learn the essentials of the Christian faith and join as a member of St. Paul. See Pastor Zielinski if you're interested in attending these classes.



Sacrament of Holy Baptism



Apostles' Creed



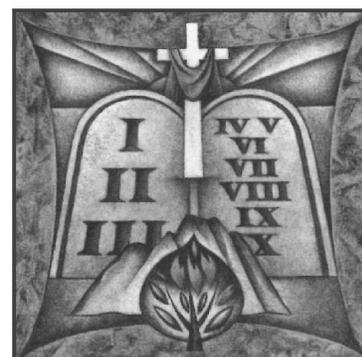
Lord's Prayer



Sacrament of the Altar



Confession & Absolution



10 Commandments

COMMUNION REGISTRATION CARDS & ATTENDANCE BOOK

Rather than have two methods of registering for communion each week, we will only use the attendance book that the ushers hand out. Please record your name and mark all the boxes that apply. In the "Communion" box, indicate the number attending communion that day.

WELLNESS PROGRAM

Our blood pressure clinic had a great beginning in April. Thank you to the nurses of our congregation who are donating their time, talent, and knowledge to make this clinic available to you! Blood Pressures will be taken the second Sunday of each month in Pastors study. Open to all, please feel free to pop in!

Wellness committee's next meeting is Sunday, May 15th after second service to discuss the upcoming Saint Paul Health Fair! The Health Fair is scheduled for Sunday, July 24th! Stay tuned for more information.

LWML

LWML news. A huge thank you to all who helped with the bake sale. All the proceeds will help further the many mission projects that we support.

We were able to help 6 families with "baskets" loaded with food for Easter. We have such a generous congregation who keep our food pantry stocked.

Thank you to all who helped my daughter Rachel and her family Eric, Danielle, Gabrielle, and Sean. They have settled into a small apartment and are trying to get life back on track. The clothes, cash, gift cards and especially prayers were greatly appreciated. Thank you, really does not say enough. Sincerely Sandy Turner

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. Batting and backing is available. You may take these "in progress" quilts home to work on. If you have a donation of cotton material you no longer want in your "stash", please give it to Jeanette Rafter, Judy Renz, or Norma Rankin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

St. Paul Sunday School is headed for another end-of-the year finale! Where has the time gone? Our students last day will be **May 22**. It has been a pleasure to see them grow in their knowledge of the Lord. I would like to extend a big "Thank You!" to all of our teachers that have made 2015 - 2016 a success. The dedication of time, effort and energy that you have invested has a growth potential that compares to the parable of the mustard seed.



Matthew 13:31-32 (KJV) - 31 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like the grain of a mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: 32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becomes a tree, so that birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

May the kingdom of God continue to grow with the seeds that have been planted. Have a fun and safe summer. In the love of Christ, Anita Praisler, Sunday School Superintendent

HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE GRADUATES

If you have a child or family member who will graduate from High School or College this year, please provide Cindy Hawke with some student information so that we may recognize them and their accomplishments in the June newsletter. The Student Information forms are at the Welcome Center.



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 13th.

TRUSTEE

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.

SUMMER WORSHIP



Our Summer Worship schedule will begin on June 5th at 9:15am with a Fellowship hour following the service. We will continue with volunteers who are willing to host a Fellowship Sunday. You may host as a group, multiple families or individuals. The menu is up to you. Watch the Welcome Center for the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions, please give Cindy a call in the Church office at 330-483-3883.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to the congregation of St Paul!! Thank you all so much for your help and well wishes. The generosity we received was overwhelming and greatly appreciated! It was a huge help to us in rebuilding our lives. May God continue to bless you! Much love to you all.

Rachel LaChance and family.



LOST & FOUND and miscellaneous items are in the coat room. Please take the time this week to see if you have a dish, cake plate, container, or Christmas platter left behind.



A S C E N S I O N D A Y
CIRCUIT WORSHIP SERVICE

THURSDAY - MAY 5 - 7:00PM
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
27993 DETROIT ROAD
WESTLAKE, OHIO

ST. PAUL, AMHERST	TRINITY, GRAFTON
FAITH, AVON	ZION, LORAIN
FAITHWALK, BRUNSWICK	HOPE, SHEFFIELD VILLAGE
ST. MARK, BRUNSWICK	ST. PAUL, VALLEY CITY
HOSANNA, COLUMBIA STATION	ST. MATTHEW, VERMILLION
ST. JOHN, ELYRIA	BETHANY, WELLINGTON
SHERPHERD OF THE RIDGE, NORTH RIDGEVILLE	ST. PAUL, WESTLAKE

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



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

Please mail completed forms with payment made out to St. Paul Lutheran Church
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!

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Church Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8am Worship 9:15 SS Confirmation Service 10:30am Golf outing meeting 11:30am	HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	LWML MEETING 10:00am	Bible Class 11:30am Worship Committee 6:30pm	Ascension Service at St. Paul, Westlake 7:00PM		Church Spring Clean-up day 9:00am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 SS & Bible Class Blood Pressure Clinic	HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	ELDER MEETING 7:00am	Bible Class 11:30am	Choir practice 7:00pm		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 SS & Bible Class Wellness Committee meeting 11:30	HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM	President Cripe's Congregation Visit 6:30pm	Bible Class 11:30am Quilters 1:30pm	Choir practice 7:00pm	Men's Bible Study 6:30pm	Food Pantry 10:30am
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 SS & Bible Class Voter's Meeting 9:15am	HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM		Bible Class 11:30am	Choir practice 7:00pm		
29	30	31			June 5th, 9:15am	
8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 SS & Bible Class	HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:30PM				beings our Summer Worship Schedule!	

May 2016

Birthday/Anniversary

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ROB & LIZ ZACHARIAS #34 Matt & Molly Buddie #6	Liz Zacharias	Dennis & Linda Goodhart #13	David & Noreen Fischer # 53 Tom Hornberger	Branko & "Charlie" Djordjevic # 15 Dave & Judy Renz #50 Bill Zacharias	Andy Patrick	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Kathleen Harrell	Doris Dean	Nate Hibler Sam Jakabcic Jr.	Marvin Hibler McKenzie Miller James Murawski	Mary Carlson Pam Rasschaert		Justin Adams Jeff Bailey
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Jenny Knopf	Pat Krueger Jeffrey Raycher Sara Zielinski		Tom & Bridget Hornberger # 3 Jon & Melanie Knopf # 14		Larry Klooz	Greg & Jan Shook # 28 Pam Catlin Tina Nash
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Joel & Laura Provenzano #6 Shanna Burchfield Declan Herbert Carl Hinderer	Gary & Denice Horton #35 Sam & Peggy Jakabcic Jr. # 24 John & Diane Johnson # 24 Austin Gilles Gary Horton	Regina Gallen Jeremy Horton Jessica Nash Scott Wiesemann	Paul & Jeri Bosela # 31 Cindy Hawke Jeanette Rafter	Mark Gordon	Christopher Becker Michael Holland Michelle Murawski	Ray Miller Veronica Winterstein
29	30	31				
	Pastor & Sara Zielinski # 17					

The Contemporary Music Ministry of
ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Invites You to the 11th Annual
(2005-2016)

Night of Music & Worship

This Is My Story This Is My Song

Featuring the songs of,

Big Daddy Weave, Chris Tomlin, Third Day, Matt Maher,
David Crowder Band, Casting Crowns and more!

Saturday

May 14th – 7:00 pm

*Invite your
family and
friends to a night
of praise!*

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www.stpaulwestlake.org

Free Admission – A love offering will be received

