



# ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Singing and Making Music in the Lord...

Every month, some of your brothers and sisters in Christ meet with Pastor Zielinski and together we plan the worship services of our congregation. How do they do it? (Or, maybe some of you might ask, "What are they thinking!?!") Here's a glimpse into the work of the Worship Committee and the principals we use as we prayerfully plan our worship life. Please pray for the work of the Worship Committee, giving thanks to God that He has blessed us with a faithful and vibrant worship life together.

**Ephesians 5:18–21 (ESV)** — "...but be filled with the Spirit,<sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,<sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,<sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ."

Every time we come together to worship as the Body of Christ, we join together in song. Our services are punctuated by the "psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs" of which St. Paul wrote to the Ephesian church.<sup>1</sup>

But, which ones should we sing?

The full body of hymns and songs used in congregations throughout history would be impossible to collect. From every culture and time period, the people of God have added their voice to the choir of all the faithful by writing music and texts to proclaim the mighty acts of God. Some of these hymns have stood the test of time and are known all throughout the church. Others, have found familiar homes within particular traditions or cultures. Still others have gained popularity, but their content (musically or in text) are contrary to the truths of Scripture or offer a weak confession of the faith, and so are avoided or simply cast away. Finally, there are hymns—although obscure in some circles—that are truly classics and are worth the effort to learn because of their rich content, or historical significance.

Our hymnal numbers 966 hymns. Add to that number the beloved hymns from previous hymnals and ones still being written and we have well over 1000 songs to pick from every time we come together to worship. Most you are familiar with. Others are worth learning. Some, are favorites here but not other places and vice versa. Where do we even try to begin?

Enter, **The Worship Committee**. Over the last few years, **Kathy Fargo, Martha Konzelman, Ray Miller, Karen Myers, and David Spry** have faithfully and lovingly worked together to coordinate the worship of the congregation. First, during the vacancy, it was vital that someone with knowledge of the congregation's worship life select hymns and liturgies that would nurture the faith of everyone who worshipped together here. Upon the arrival of Pastor Zielinski, he asked the Worship Committee to continue their work with him, valuing their experience and knowledge. The makeup of the team may change from time to time, but its importance and goals remain the same. Please take the time to thank them for their work and encourage them in their labors.

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<sup>1</sup> What did he mean by these? Indeed "psalms" meant the book of Psalms. "Hymns" were likely portions of music set to music (like we have today in the "Nunc Dimittis," "Magnificat," and others). "Spiritual Songs" were works of poetry, set to music, that declare truths of Scripture, prayers, or other images of the faith; what we would know as "hymns" today.

Here's how we approach planning a service:

- Where are we in the Church year? What is the overall theme of the day?
- "Opening Hymn" Introduces the congregation to the day's theme. Hymns with "movement" or energy usher the congregation into a ready mindset of worship.
- "Hymn of the Day" (also called "Sermon Hymn" or "Office Hymn") usually speaks most strongly to the particular theme driven by the Gospel reading, the other readings, and the day of the Church Year.
- "Distribution Hymns" Sung while the Lord's Supper is distributed to the congregation, these hymns flow from the theme of the day/season or focus on the Lord's Supper in particular. Since the amount of singing depends on how many people are receiving communion, there may be two or three hymns.
- Other hymns: "Canticles" are portions of scripture set to music that fit into particular services. These are usually the same each time the liturgy is used, but sometimes are omitted or substituted (during Lent, for example).
- "Closing Hymn" Since this hymn gets the "last word," it is important that it flow logically from the rest of the service. Leaving worship with a melody in your head, an uplifting text, or a tune with energy and motion propels the congregation to go forth in joy with the gifts of God's Word and Sacraments received today.

Why pick one hymn or another?

We use a worship planning guide that has helpfully compiled hymns from our hymnal that coordinate with that particular day's readings or time of the church year (also offering suggestions for choirs, hand bells, and other music). It's a good place to start, but doesn't take into account our individual identity. Looking at the hymns, the Worship Committee gets to work: Does the congregation know it? When did we sing it last? Are there others that fit better?

When looking at a new, or unfamiliar hymn, the committee takes many things into consideration: Is the tune new or not? Is it "sing-able"? Have we done it before? What is the history of the hymn? Is it one we "should" know or learn? Can it be introduced by a choir or solo? Where does it fit in the service? Then, we look over the hymns and try to include more hymns that are already familiar in proportion to hymns we are still learning. (Sometimes more successfully than other times. Do be gracious and forgiving when a particular service isn't your cup of tea. The person sitting next to you may have just found a new favorite!)

What can I do?

Give thanks to God for the Worship Committee's commitment to planning worship services that strengthen your faith and reinforce the truths of God's Word. We're always open to suggestions, remembering that we are "giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Eph. 5). We are also "submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ." What is familiar and beloved to one of us may very well be new to someone else. We might be missing out on some great hymns if we don't give it a try. (I think of "Life High the Cross" and "Thy Strong Word" as great examples; really, every hymn was new sometime, and every hymn was once new to you sometime too.)

When you face an unfamiliar hymn or song, you might find it helpful to remember that the Worship Committee who picked it are your brothers and sisters in Christ who genuinely love you and that they have taken a lot of care to put together a service that is familiar, faithful, vibrant, and full of joy. So, with that in mind, think to yourself, **"The committee chose this for a reason, and knowing it's unfamiliar, they chose it anyway. I trust them, so maybe I can give it a try.** What does the text say and how does it fit today? Is this a hymn that many other Christians or Lutherans already know and now I get to learn it too?"

As a family of God we come from many different backgrounds. That's a big reason we worship using our hymnal. Lutherans from all over the United States—and the world!—can join us in worship and find familiar songs and liturgies. It is good for us to expand our repertoire and so have even more ways to sing our faith and prayers. It connects us to our brothers and sisters in Christ beyond our walls. We also treasure what is most faithful and familiar and rejoice that through God's gift of music, He has placed true words about Himself deep into our souls. I look forward to singing God's praises with you again soon.

In Christ, Pastor Zielinski

# Lent 2016: “Places of the Passion”

The scenes of Lent are familiar. The Upper Room, the Garden of Gethsemane, the halls of Pontius Pilate, and the hill of Golgotha—these are the places we remember when we meditate on our Lord’s Passion. Yet when Jesus enters a place, He never leaves it the same as He found it. The most troubling places in our lives become the most amazing places of God’s grace when Jesus visits them.

For this reason, in our midweek Lenten series, we will read and contemplate Luke’s account of our Lord’s Passion. Each week, we will read a different section of the story; and each week, Luke will take us to a different place, the Places of the Passion.

Our focus, will go deeper than the simple physical places. We will gaze in wonder on the spiritual work that our Lord does there. Jesus will share His strength in our times of weakness. He will fill us with His praise in the midst of our sorrow. Week after week, we will enter the Places of the Passion and see our Lord . . . waiting for us . . . willing to share with us a love that was set in place before the foundations of the world.

Plan to come to our Lenten services this year. Prepare to enter into these places of devotion, for there, your Lord will meet you, sharing with you His wondrous love that saves a fallen world.

## Sermon Titles and Texts

Ash Wednesday:	“A Place at the Table for You” (Luke 22:1–13)
Midweek of Lent 1:	“The Upper Room: A Place of Service” (Luke 22:14–38)
Midweek of Lent 2:	“Gethsemane: A Place of Strength” (Luke 22:39–46)
Midweek of Lent 3:	“The Betrayal: A Place of Eternal Love” (Luke 22:47–53)
Midweek of Lent 4:	“The Courtyard: A Place of Renewal” (Luke 22:54–62)
Midweek of Lent 5:	“The Trial: A Place of God’s Will” (Luke 22:63–23:25)
Holy Thursday:	“The Last Supper: A Place of Forgiveness” (Luke 22:7–23)
Good Friday:	“Golgotha: A Place of Simple Love” (Luke 23:44–49)

# Places of the Passion

## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

FEBRUARY 10, 11:30AM (LUNCH AND STUDY FOLLOW)

7:00PM (SUPPER, 6:00PM - 7:00PM)

LORD'S SUPPER CELEBRATED AT BOTH SERVICES

## **WEDNESDAYS IN LENT**

11:30AM (LUNCH AND STUDY FOLLOW)

7:00PM (SUPPER, 6:00PM – 7:00PM)

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

(DIVINE SERVICE WITH THE LORD'S SUPPER)

MARCH 24, 11:30AM & 7:00PM

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

MARCH 25, 11:30AM & 7:00PM



# **EASTER SUNDAY: MARCH 27**

**8 & 10:30AM FESTIVAL DIVINE SERVICE**

**9:15AM EASTER BREAKFAST & EGG HUNT**

## UPDATE ON APPLYING FOR A VICAR

Elders Steve Kato and Carl Hinderer are working with Pastor Zielinski on completing the vicarage application which is due in mid-March. A big part of this application is outlining the job description for the vicar and what he might be working on. To provide a diverse and well-rounded experience, we expect to have the vicar involved with most every aspect of our life together as a congregation. Some things he will be able to take the lead on, depending on his gifts. He will preach regularly, assist with worship and planning, work with members of all ages, teach Bible studies on Sunday and during the week, assist with confirmation, and make visits on members, visitors, and those who are hospitalized. Keep this process in your prayers that God would provide a great opportunity for a future pastor and that we will also be blessed by his service among us.

## CHOIR

We are looking for more voices to accompany the Choir. If there is anyone out there that loves to sing, and has an hour to spare on Thursday evenings, we welcome you to join us. If you would like more information about the choir, please see Kathy Fargo or contact the church office at 330-483-3883.

## GREETERS

The easiest job you'll ever have! So what is it? Being a **Greeter** of course! The job skills require a smile, a handshake or hug, open and close the door to all who come to our services. There is no age requirement, singles, families, and/or friends are all welcome. You never know, you may be greeting an angel one Sunday! Bet you didn't think it was that easy did you! This is a very important ministry here at St. Paul's and we need some help. Please consider being a Greeter. If you are interested see or contact Pam Rasschaert at 330-721-1322 or contact the church office at 330-483-3883.

## TRUSTEES

As has been reported, the Trustees and volunteers are replacing the old fluorescent/ballast lighting in the Narthex. Donations are gratefully accepted and there are some beautiful wood crosses at the Welcome Center for \$10. We have found that the LED bulbs are very efficient, reduce our electric costs and should last for many years without the work and efforts to replace.

In December, we had our annual fire inspection with the Valley City fire inspector and security alarm company. All systems passed. All emergency lighting and exit sign lights had their backup batteries replaced in the last two months.

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.

Please exercise care and caution when coming or going on the parking lots during this winter when snow and ice are present. We will continue to plow and salt whenever needed, but the week night activities may not always get priority service.

## FUNERAL DINNERS

A great big THANK YOU to all the people who helped with the funeral dinners this last year. We would not be able to provide such a wonderful service to our church families if not for the hard work of all of you. We are truly blessed to have such a caring congregation. If you would like your name added to our list of food preparers or help providers, please contact Arlene Klooz, Karen Myers, or Sandy Turner.

# LWML

St Paul Ladies,

This is an invite to join our society meetings and hear of all the things we are doing here at St Paul and also within our Lorain-Medina LWML zone.

We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM and would love to see you there.

If you have any questions about the meetings please talk to one of the following:

Sandy Turner	President
Charlie Djordjevic	Recording Secretary
Ethel Schiemann	Treasurer
Marilynn Rauhaus	Corresponding Secretary
Diane Johnson	Food Pantry
Margit Gery	Bulletin Board
Jean Wadle	Chaplain/Box tops
Judy Scaife	Prison Ministry
Pam Rasschaert	Eye Glass Ministry

and many others who help with all our projects.

Please join us as we work in our own church group and in the Lorain-Medina Zone to work in many different ways to provide support in many mission projects.

We were able to provide baskets for both Thanksgiving and Christmas to families in the Church who needed a little bit of help.

Join us for our LWML Prayer Service February 20, at 10:00am at Trinity Lutheran, Grafton. Please bring your 9x5 inch knitted or crocheted squares.

## THANK YOU

Dear Members of St. Paul,

Thank you for the kind and generous gift with which you blessed us at Christmas. It is such a joy and privilege to serve here at St. Paul and we are humbled by your kindness. I look forward to another (and many more) year of God's blessings here. In Christ, Pastor, Sara, & Girls.

My sincere appreciation to Pastor Zielinski and The Members of St. Paul for the gift card. It was a very kind expression which I am very thankful for. Sincerely Ray Miller.

Pastor and St. Paul Congregation,

Thank you very much for the Coffee subscription gift. It's a perfect gift as I love a fresh cup of coffee every morning. I look forward to the different coffee flavors in the coming months. Sincerely, Cindy Hawke

# OVERVIEW OF GROUPS FOR 2015 AND GOALS FOR 2016

## **LWML**

Our Service Projects are divided in 4 areas:

### "Jerusalem" (our Community)

Food Pantry (met by serving congregation and community, prepared Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for designated families)  
Child care services (fell short, but provided services during retreat)  
Clean & organize church kitchen (on-going by LWML women)  
Collect stamps, eyeglasses, box tops for educations & magazines for prison ministry (continuous collections all year).  
Donation of School Supplies (missed the start of school collections)

### "Samaria" (our area, Cleveland)

Collection for Stuff the Bus (missed the start of school collections)  
Clothing Collections and assisting at BHITC clothing closet (generous donations by congregation provided 3 cars/trucks of clothing for Building Hope in the City.

### "Judea" (Ohio)

Collection of mites (monthly with the help of the congregation)  
Preparing Flood Buckets (buckets sent to Lutheran Disaster Relief)  
Collect Christmas Toys & Wrapping Paper for HARP (generous donations with the help of the congregation)  
Maintain relationship with William Graske at Bethesda Home (correspondence with Bill and remembrances at is Birthday and Christmas maintained.

### "Ends of the World" (International)

Making Personal Care Kits (done and delivered)  
Christmas Shoe Boxes (done and delivered to Samaritan's Purse)

WOW! Thanks to everyone for helping us meet our goals! In addition, LWML also sponsored bake sales, hosted the annual Christmas Tea, Father's Day Ice Cream Social, and fall campfire/vespers. We assisted with the Multigenerational Women's retreat, helped St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Vermilion with snow removal costs, made donations to Guidestone, to Christopher Milo's Leadership anti-bullying, Suicide Solution Program, to Lorain-Medina LWML zone, and toward a clergy weather coat. LWML donated two chaffing servers to the St. Paul kitchen, prepared and delivered lunch to the volunteers at the VanSickle's house on the church work day. Pastor shared some of his Liberia experiences and Margit shared a "perfect cup of tea" with us, LWML women also help with the Prayer Shawl Ministry and St. Paul Quilting. WOW again! We had a fruitful year "Serving the Lord with Gladness".

# TRUSTEE

## **Parking lots**

- Parking lots are showing some wear, we are looking at some repairs and resealing the parking lots in 2016, cost estimates are between \$3,500 and \$4,700.

## **1414 Lester Road**

- In 2015, the 'new parsonage' property was sold after plenty of work and expense to bring it up to a marketable condition. 90% of the proceeds were placed against our current mortgage on the Fellowship Hall. The remaining 10% will be distributed among Lutheran charities.

## **1411 Lester Road**

- The old parsonage remains occupied and tenants are current on rent. Last inspections in October verified boiler, smoke alarms and other areas are in working order.

## **Church**

- Property and liability insurance is up to date.
- Furnaces, HVAC, water heaters, kitchen equipment all seem to be in good working order. Some of the A/C units needed new control boards this year and was a substantial expense.
- Internet services and WIFI installed and working well.
- A new copier was needed and leased in 2015 to replace the network printer. Estimated annual cost is \$2,400 with service agreement.
- Fire, motion, and smoke alarms have been tested twice this year with no problems. Fire extinguishers have been inspected and when needed have been replaced.
- New outside lighting was installed along church entrance.
- New LED lighting was installed at entrance way and part of the Narthex, project is ongoing.
- Last winter's temperatures and heavy ice on the roof caused a number of leaks, fixed by Trustees and volunteers, but will need to install additional roof vents. Additional insulation was added.

## **Normal Upkeep and Maintenance**

- Normal cleaning and upkeep by the custodian and Trustees are ongoing.
- Snow plowing awarded to current vendor for 2015/2016 winter, salt costs have gone up again.
- Landscaping services awarded to current vendor due to excellent service and pricing.
- Dehumidifier replaced in church basement.

## **Memorial Garden**

- Approximately 160 cremation plots have been plotted in the Memorial Garden.
- A number of cremains were interred in the Memorial Garden in 2015.

## **Project list for 2016 includes:**

- A full electrical audit that has been on our agenda for a while. Determine breaker needs, labeling of all circuits and load balancing.
- Spring clean-up day for entire church, Fellowship Hall and classrooms planned for May 7, 2016.
- New counter/desk/storage space for pc that controls the electronic sign on Center Road
- Complete replacing all fluorescent/ballast lighting in Narthex with LED fixtures.
- Trustees are investigating video cameras for church entrance and parking lot.
- Additional roof vents for Fellowship Hall.

The Trustees are very thankful of the volunteer efforts of many in the congregation in 2015 and look for additional help in the coming year as projects develop. Respectfully submitted, Don Gotsch, John Johnson, Scott Weisman, Matt Bosela, and Kyle Bremke.

## BOARD OF NURTURE

**YOUTH GROUP** - Youth group kicked 2015 off the year with an election. Officers include Molly Ross, President; Elizabeth Kato, Vice President; David Ross, Secretary; and Grace Praisler, Treasurer. The theme for this year was "service to others." We started off in February with baking valentine's cookies and delivering them to the "shut-ins" in our congregation and our Sub sale. In March/April we prepared an Easter Egg Hunt for the children in Sunday school and guest. At the beginning of May some of the group helped at the Swiss Steak Dinner. Other activities this past summer included teaching in Vacation Bible School, combining our efforts with LWML for a bonfire, popcorn, and music. As school started, we found ourselves getting very comfortable serving coffee to the adult members weekly and preparing for the fall activities which included, Thanksgiving Feast for our Grand friends and Grandparents along with participating with the Sunday School Christmas program.

As we look forward to 2016, the youth members are excited about all of our activities. We will continue with the Valentine cookies, Subs, Easter Egg Hunt, helping at Dinners and VBS. Our newest event will be a summer retreat. As of now six of our youth and three chaperones will be attending the "Higher Things Conference" at Vanderbilt, University in Nashville, Tennessee.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - will be held the week of June 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> with the Program on Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year will be Barnyard Round-up. If you have some time to spare, we are always looking for volunteers to help during this fun filled week.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** - St. Paul's Sunday School staff is sending a BIG welcome to all of the new faces and families in every classroom! 2015 has seen a significant increase in class sizes, including our adult class. Classrooms for the 5th grade and 6th thru 8th grade are located downstairs. We have added a class with Mrs. Margit Gery stepping up to teach the 5th grade and Mrs. Sarah Myers teaching pre-school and kindergarten. Our high school students are continuing to enjoy serving coffee and pastries to our congregation before their class begins. Our Christmas program was a tremendous success with our children telling the story of Jesus's birth. Thanks to Mrs. Sara Zielinski for directing the program along with Ray Miller and Alice Typak for providing their musical talents.

In 2016 the Sunday School classes will be starting a pen pal relationship with the mission group that Victoria Becker is working with. We are preparing for Easter with excitement. Our high school class will host an Easter egg hunt for our primary grades. Further information will be forthcoming. We will continue to focus on prayer and learn about serving and tithing.

St. Paul is very thankful to all of our teachers, substitutes and volunteers for being committed to lead our children with their walk with the Lord, with many hours and years of volunteering their time and talents.

As Superintendent, I am extending an open invitation to parents to feel free to sit in your child's classroom, meet your child's teacher and see what and how they are learning about the love of Our Savior, Jesus Christ.

This would be a great conversation to get started.

Please contact me with any questions. Anita Praisler, Sunday School Superintendent

# EVANGELISM

The Card Ministry continues with the dedication of Dianne Holland, Diane Johnson, Karen Myers, Norma Rankin, Marilyn Rauhaus, and Carole Zwingelberg. Greeting cards are sent monthly to church members on special occasions - 80+ birthdays, 50+ anniversaries, new members, illness, births & baptisms, confirmands, and weddings. Thank you, ladies!

The free Christmas card packets were well-received in December. Approximately 300 cards were given out. Thanks to everyone for your donations, and sharing these cards with others.

Visitors to our church can pick up a Visitor Packet at the Welcome Center. These packets have been updated with church information, bookmarks, and a pen. Members - please share these packets with our visitors.

The Wiggle Bags continue to be important in keeping "energetic" children busy during the worship services. The quiet activities include a book, stuffed animal, paper, crayons, and stickers.

The list of homebound (shut-in) members continues to be updated. This list is available at the Welcome Center. These members enjoy visits by you, or notecards can be mailed to them occasionally.

News articles about our children, youth, and adults in our congregation are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex for all to see and enjoy. Any future news items you may see in the newspaper, or recognition certificates your child receives, please give them to Cindy in the church office, or drop them in Marilyn Rauhaus's box. These items will be returned to you.

Many of these activities will continue during 2016. New ideas are always welcome from you, our members. Prayerfully, consider volunteering to help in any of the above activities.

# February 2016

## Church Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	CONFIRMATION 6:00pm HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:00PM	LWML MEETING 7:00 PM	Bible Class 11:30am –1p Worship Committee 6:30 pm	Choir Practice 7:00 pm		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>8 &amp; 10:30 am Worship</b> <b>9:15 SS &amp; Bible Class</b> 9am Sub Sand. pickup 11:30 Golf outing Committee meeting & Sub Sand. pick up	CONFIRMATION 6:00PM HANDBELL PRACTICE 7:00PM	ELDER MEETING 7:00 PM	<b>Ash Wed. Service</b> <b>11:30am</b> Bible Study 12p 6pm Soup Dinner <b>Ash Wed. Service</b> <b>7:00pm</b>	Choir Practice 7:00 pm		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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## Birthday/Anniversary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Darrin Read	Darlene Baab Eric Heffinger Susan Willkom			Brent Haury Don Tibbitts
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Dustin Keller	Peggy Gall Judy Pflaum	Jeffery Barajas Scott Leu	Aden Murawski	Cody Gigliotti Mikaela Weigel	<b>Paul &amp; Pam Rasschaert # 39</b> Jean Palmer	William Rankin Jr.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Cinthia Holland		Andrew Hibler			<b>Larry &amp; Marlene Shook # 54</b>	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Robert Murawski	Jaclyn Turner	Perry Ellenberger Paul Schultz			Bonnie Keller Judy Renz	Trenna Tighe Daniel Whitmer Carole Zwingelberg
28 Victoria Becker Tracy Read	29					

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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!

## Tee Up For Students—Registration — Dinner Only



Dinner Only 1. \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00

Dinner Only 2. \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00

Dinner Only 3. \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00

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

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

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

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

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

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

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At golf outing!

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

**A DVD** of each worship service is made and can be sent to shut ins or those unable to attend worship services. Please call Cindy if you would be in need of one of these DVD's, 330-483-3883.

**HOSPITAL STAYS** - If you or one of your family finds yourself in the hospital, please be sure that someone calls the Pastor. The hospitals do NOT call the Pastor even if you tell them to. The Pastor would rather have two or more calls from family members than not hearing about a hospital stay at all. Please remember to call 330-483-4119.

**SAVE THE STUFF** - Be sure to save those things that you would normally simply throw away. Postage stamps from your incoming mail (leave a quarter inch around the stamp), eye glasses and hearing aids that you no longer need and those "box tops for education" that are on the foods that you use every day. Collection boxes are on the shelves by Pastor's office.

**ST. PAUL WEB SITE** — Check out the website — [www.spvc.org](http://www.spvc.org) - Information, Sunday sermons streaming, Confirmation assignments, Church Event calendar, links to other Lutheran sites and much more

**FELLOWSHIP HALL** can be used by our members for parties, meetings and other gatherings. If you would like more information about using our fellowship hall please contact Christina Eaton at 330-350-2132 or [christina8fruit@yahoo.com](mailto:christina8fruit@yahoo.com) or contact Cindy in the church office. If you are planning a party — please check with Christina for possible dates.

**Shop on Amazon.com?** Do a search for "**AMAZON SMILE**", set it up, and help support the work of St. Paul. Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of your purchase price of eligible products to St. Paul Lutheran Church. Simply go to AmazonSmile website (<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/34-1428142>) *Supporting St. Paul Lutheran Church* will appear at the top left corner, then shop and place your order as usual. It doesn't cost you a thing!

Remember our **SHUT INS** with cards, prayers, phone calls and visits. Addresses of our Shut ins are on the bulletin board in the narthex. Feel free to take the sheet & make a copy for yourself.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** If you would like to have the flowers on the altar dedicated in memory of a loved one, in honor of a birthday or anniversary or simply for blessings received, you may sign up on the flower chart in the narthex. Check out the flower chart for more information.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** - If you have trouble hearing during worship services — special hearing assistance is available. This special box lets you hear what is said directly from the mics and eliminates the extra noise. Check with the ushers for more information.

**PRAYER CHAIN** - Requests for our congregational prayer chain should be emailed to [PrayerStPaul@aol.com](mailto:PrayerStPaul@aol.com). If you would like to be added to those special people — our prayer-ers simply email a request to be added or in the case of the phone prayer chain, "Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonians 5:17

**Inclement Weather Policy.** In the event that we may have to cancel our Worship Service or an event due to inclement weather, we will post the cancellation on WKYC (Ch. 3) and WEWS (Ch. 5). You may also call 330-483-3883 and listen to the voicemail for the cancellation. We will also add the cancellation notice to our new website.

**THRIVENT FOR LUTHERAN** members. If you have any product of Thrivent, you may be eligible to designate the "Choice Dollars" to St. Paul or other charities. Check with [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com) for what "Choice dollars" can mean to you. We thank those members and friends who are already designating their funds to St. Paul.

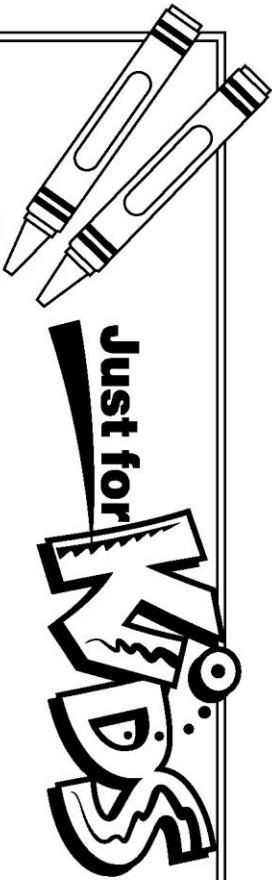


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*Something Important to Remember Always*

Romans 5:8, NIV, tells us how great God's love is for us. Use the grid to complete this verse.

	a	b	c	
1	F	U	N	
2	♥	B	♥	
3	M	V	H	
4	♥	A	W	♥
5	♥	G	♥	♥
6	E	T	C	
7	L	♥	R	
8	♥	D	♥	
9	I	♥	S	

2b 1b 6b 5b 4c 8b 8b 6a 3a 4c 1c 9c 6b 7c 4a 6b 6a 9c  
3c 9a 9c 4c 4b 1c 7a 4c 3b 6a 1a 4c 7c 1b 9c 9a 1c  
6b 3c 9a 9c 4b 3c 9a 7a 6a 4b 6a 4b 6a 7c 6a  
9c 6b 9a 7a 7a 9c 9a 1c 1c 6a 7c 9c 6c 3c 7c 9a 9c 6b  
8b 9a 6a 8b 1a 4c 7c 1b 9c

Answer: "BUT GOD DEMONSTRATES HIS OWN LOVE FOR US IN THIS: WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US."