

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Resurrection of our Lord

Easter Sunday

17 April 2022

Welcome! *Christ's Resurrection Is the Firstfruits of the New Creation.*

The Lord has promised to "create new heavens and a new earth" (Is. 65:17), in which His people shall abide in peace and joy. That new creation has begun in the bodily resurrection of Christ Jesus. All the baptized belong to that new creation. Reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, they are "the offspring of the blessed of the LORD" (Is. 65:23). The Lord rejoices and is glad in them; He hears and answers their prayers. For "if in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied" (1 Cor. 15:19). But Christ Jesus has been raised, "the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep" (1 Cor. 15:20). We may be "perplexed about this" (Luke 24:4), perhaps even frightened and brought to our knees, because it seems like an "idle tale" (Luke 24:11). But faith clings to the Word of Christ and finds His resurrected body — not in the tomb, but in His Holy Supper.

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Dora Durrenberger-recovering

Pat Hughes-recovering (friend of James and

Kathy Kalbas)

Hildegard Krause

Wallace Lehmann-recovering (father of Ricky Lehmann)

Mary Loewe (mother of Christi Bradford)

Chris Miertschin

Shannon Miertschin

Calvin Robertson

Gary Schautschick-recovering

Katie Schmidt-recovering (mother of Pastor Schmidt)

Greg Sorrento-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)

Linda Tate

Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Kenneth Weiser-recovering

Laverne Weiser-recovering

Conway Whited-recovering (nephew of Ashley Schmidt)

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

Lillian Bamsch (sister-in-law of Charlyn & Marvin

Matthijetz

Annie Beasley (niece of Shorty & Sandra Schimank)

Joyce Bise

Don Claxton-father of Jeff Claxton

Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)

Mandie Fritsche (granddaughter-in-law of Doris Fritsche)

Crystal Garza (cousin of Dorothy Schautschick)

Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)

Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)

Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)

Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)

Louis Muniz, Jr. (brother of Robert Muniz)

Jack Pennington (brother-in-law of Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz)

Pat Richardson (friend of Darlene Schatte)

Carol Sander

Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Barbara Symm

Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)

Tiffany Wittman (sister-in-law of Jason & Cindy Heuermann)

Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Irwin, CA

Kosh Osmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Hood, TX

Coy Hunt (son of Shannon & Christine Hunt) Ft. Drum, New York

Jacob Knapp (cousin of Mark Gruetzner, son of Nathan & Heather Wenke) Ft. Stewart, Georgia

Those who rejoice:

John & Angelika Hempel on the birth of a daughter

Those who mourn:

The family of Walter Noack (brother of Wilbert & Arthur Noack)

The family of Faye Fritsche (sister-in-law of Doris Fritsche)

Prayer Requests are always welcome. To have someone included in our Sunday morning prayers either call the church office through the week or write out the request and give it to pastor on Sunday morning.

The Order of Service—Worship Insert

We welcome to God's people through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Isabella Lynn Rodriguez

Isabella is the daughter of Pablo and Krista Rodriguez
Her baptismal sponsors are Erich Schmidt, Ryan Krause,
and Teshia Becker

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God. He is Risen, Allelujah!
- † **The Crown of Thorns** on Good Friday was placed to the glory of God by Robert and Joyce Hinze.
- † **We express our sympathy** to the family of Walter Noack. He fell asleep in Jesus on Sunday, April 10, 2022. Graveside services for Mr. Noack were held here at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 16, 2022. May the Lord comfort the family with His word of promise.
- † **Congratulations** to John and Anjelika Hempel on the birth of a daughter, Marissa Ann Hempel. She was born Monday, April 11, 2022 in Katy, TX. She weighed 8 lbs. 6 ounces and was 21 ¼ inches long. May God bless this growing family.
- † **Thank you** to the LAF for preparing Easter Breakfast this morning
- † **Easter Egg Hunt.** There will be an Easter Egg Hunt this morning at 8:30 a.m. on the front lawn of the school for Nursery I through Nursery III.
- † **Voter's Meeting Minutes.** The minutes from the Voter's Meeting that was held on Sunday, April 10th are included in the bulletin this morning.
- † **Thank you** from the LWML for your support in beautifying the Sanctuary with lilies for our Easter services. When you pick up your plant following this morning's Festival service, please check your name off the list in the sacristy behind the altar.
- † **Palm Sunday Service** is available for purchase on DVD. It can be purchased for \$10.00 per copy. Please contact the church office if you would like a copy.
- † **Picnic:** Any of those having reached the age of 65 who do not wish to work at the picnic or those needing to make a change in your work assignments, please notify Robert Muniz at 979-716-8187, or the church office by April 18th. The Picnic Committee will meet on Thursday, April 21st to finalize the Picnic worklist.
- † **Serbin Alumni Basketball Game 2022.** Mark your calendar for May 28, 2022. Watch the Sunday bulletin for further information. Registration forms are available in the church office.
- † **Anniversary Celebration** – Sunday, May 29, 2022 we will be recognizing the 40 years Mrs. Pam Krause has served the Lord and the families here at St. Paul Lutheran in the teaching ministry. If you would like to provide a card or gift in recognition of her service, you may do so by dropping them in the wooden church in the church office.
- † **Benefit** for Annie Beasley and family. Sunday, May 1st. 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM to go only. BBQ on a Bun - \$10. Meal includes BBQ on a Bun, chips and a drink. Free will bake sale and raffle tickets available. Lincoln Community Center. Pre-sale meal tickets & raffle tickets sold at Round Top State Bank – Ashley's Attic – Sylvin's Automotive – Walch Store, or call Rebecca Burgdorf at 979-540-6105.
- † **Church Music Beautification Conference** - Hello Circuit 22 & 23 friends, We are kicking off what we'd like to see become an annual gathering for servants in Texas District Circuits 22 & 23. Further beautifying the worship life of our congregations in small ways will serve as our continual conference goal. This inaugural conference will feature: worship, fellowship, the introduction of a new hymn, plenary sessions for organists, musicians, and pastors together. Please consider joining us for the Small Scale **Church Music Beautification Conference** of Circuit 22 & 23, Texas District, LCMS from 8am-noon on Saturday, April 30, 2022, Mt. Calvary, La Grange. Coffee and snacks will be provided, please RSVP to the the MCLC office by Tuesday, April 19, 2022, (979) 968-3938 or secretary@mtcalvary-lcms.org ----Rev. Jason M. Kaspar, Mrs. Ruth Meyer, Rev. Bernie Schey.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, April 24th, “**Misplaced Doubt**”. Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. You can doubt every doubt you've ever had about God's love for you in Christ Jesus. (John 20:24-29). Hear *The Lutheran Hour* each Sunday on station KBUK-FM 104.9 at 7:00 a.m. or on station KANJ-FM 91.5 at 12:30 p.m. or go to lhm.org for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

Life Through the Church Year:

April 17 – Resurrection of Our Lord

Christ is risen, in the body! This makes every other human body precious from fertilization to forever (Isaiah 65:20). Death belongs to the old things and the former ways (Isaiah 65:17) from which our God and Father has set us free (1 Corinthians 15:26). The grave lies empty and has nothing to offer, not even by means of physician-assisted suicide or abortions. Neither we nor our neighbors need submit to it any longer!

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today	Easter Sunrise Worship Service – 6:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast – 7:30 a.m. Sunday School – 8:30 a.m. Easter Festival Worship Service – 9:00 a.m.
Monday	No School
Tuesday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m. School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.
Thursday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. Picnic Committee Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Friday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. Thorndale Field Day Gr. 3-8
Next Sunday	Worship Service – 8:30 a.m. Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Acolytes: Rylee Smolik and Malynda Schautschick Sunday School Teachers Meeting – 10:15 a.m.

Birthdays: Today – Timothy Hartfield; 18th – Kayence Schroeder; 19th – Richard Symons; 21st – Shanna Mitschke; 22nd – Mark Jones, Leroy Kalbas; 23rd – John Hinze, Clint Oltmann, Shane Sander. God's Blessings to you.

Serving today: **Elders**– Tim Hartfield and Keith Oltmann
Organist- Daniel Krause
Acolytes-Sunrise - Kamrie Stewart and Evelyn Williams
Festival -Jay Woelfel and Lydia Schautschick
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Michael Becker **Assistant**- Shelby Becker
Ushers- Glen Albrecht, Wyatt Arldt, Virgil Becker,
Jace Heuermann, Clay Mertink, Cody Mertink,
Cole Mertink, Ethan Ray, Shane Ray,
Shane Sander, Robert Zoch
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Rex Perry
John Hinze, Bradley Albrecht, Troy Wiederhold

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Midweek Lent (4/6/2022)- 96, Palm Sunday Worship- 326.

Offering Last Week: \$32,607.74

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$17,406.26	Mission	\$434.00
Thrivent	\$901.00	Lent Offering (4/6/2022)	\$887.00
Lunch Room	\$1,719.98	Mission Total	\$1,321.00
ECC Operating	\$2,953.50	Savings/Other:	
School Registration	\$1,625.00	Building Fund	\$1,108.00
Tuition	\$5,573.00	Savings/Other Total	\$1,108.00
Received 4/10/2022	\$30,178.74	Total	\$32,607.74
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00		
Received MTD	\$50,081.24		
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Faye Fritsche by Doris Fritsche -\$50.00. **Building:** In memory of Adele Becker by Herman Gersch - \$25.00.



New Student Registration

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is underway. We would love to welcome you into our Falcon family as well. Call us at (979) 242-2889 to schedule a shadow day or visit our website at www.flhstx.org for registration information.

Staff Positions Available

Faith Lutheran High School will have part time openings on its faculty for the 2022-2023 academic year! Interested individuals who teach any subject area are encouraged to apply, but science, social studies, English, or electives are sought after skills. Applicants may submit resumes to Faith Lutheran High School, PO Box 138, Warda, TX 78960, call (979) 242-2889, or email them to kueckn@flhstx.org. If you have the time and talents, please consider applying and sharing your gifts with our students. Thank you!

Dates to Remember

- Prom - Saturday, April 30th
- Spring Thing Music Concert - Wednesday, May 11th
- Graduation - Saturday, May 28th

Free Wednesday mornings?

Join us for our weekly Chapel Worship Service every Wednesday, beginning at 10:30 am.

Youth Camps

Summer camps are back! We are excited to offer a variety of camps for youth this summer. Ages are for grades NEXT school year.

June 1 - Frog Dissection - Grade 6 to 8 - \$15

June 6-8 - Volleyball - Grade 3 to 8 - \$15

June 13-15 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$15

June 20-22 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$ 30

June 27-29 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$30

Aug 1-2 - Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$15

Please visit our website or Facebook page for more information! Don't wait --- Sign up today!! Space is limited!

Thrivent Action Team Grants

If you are a Thrivent member willing to submit an application for a \$250 grant to be used on projects at Faith, please contact Nikki Kueck by calling (979) 242-2889. Help us to be able to take advantage of these funds for the good of our school. *We are currently looking to utilize Action Grants to offset expenses associated with our summer camps!

The Voyager Voice

St. Paul Lutheran School

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✠ Check us out on the Internet at www.stpaulserbinschool.org ✠

for the weeks of April 16-22, 2022

2021-22 School Year Theme – “Follow Me” – John 12:26

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 18...Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL

Apr. 19...Classes Resume

Apr. 22...Thorndale (3-8) Field Day

Apr. 27...Administrative Professionals
(Secretary's) Day

Apr. 28...Pastor & Principal
Appreciation Day

Apr. 29...Support Staff (Cooks,
Librarian & Custodians)
Appreciation Day

Apr. 30...Deadline for 5K/KidsK Run
Early Registration

May 1...PTLS Meeting – 10:15 AM
**2022-23 Re-Enrollment Fee
Payment Due** (\$325/family)

May 2-6...Teacher Appreciation
Week

May 5...National Day of Prayer
Chapel Service – 8:30 AM



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Our Mission

*“To Educate Children for Life to
Witness the Word to the World.”*

From the Principal's Desk . . .

Your child's 5th Six-Week **REPORT CARDS** came home last Thursday—be sure to look for it and contact teacher with questions.

NO SCHOOL EASTER MONDAY (4/18) as we enjoy Easter Break! Classes resume on Tuesday, April 19th.

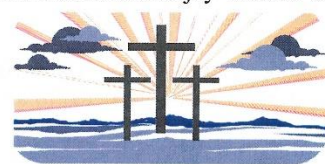
THORNDALE FIELD DAY is next Friday, April 22nd. Watch for final information re: schedule of events and transportation coming home on April 19th.

STAFF APPRECIATION DAYS are planned for April 27-28-29. Look for the information flyer coming home with the newsletter.

Have a safe & blessed Easter Break! ~ Jim House, Principal

NEWS, NOTES, and HAPPENINGS

HAPPY EASTER. . .from the Faculty and staff of St. Paul Lutheran. “Christ is Risen—He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!” This is our shout of Easter joy because of the victory Christ won over sin, death, and Satan with His resurrection on Easter morning. Share these special words of Easter victory with each other this Eastertide.



NO SCHOOL MONDAY. . .As we continue our celebration of the Savior's resurrection, there will be no classes on **Easter Monday, April 18th**. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 19th. Enjoy your 4-day Easter Break!

LUTHERAN FIELD DAY NEWS. . .Our Voyager K-4 students had a great time at the Immanuel-Giddings Field Day on April 8th bringing home **a total of 79 ribbons!** A list of all the ribbon winners is posted on the school website.

Next Friday, April 22nd, the Gr. 3-8 students will participate in the **Thorndale Field Day** beginning at 9:00 AM. Watch for a final information letter coming home on Tuesday that includes a schedule of events, transportation details, and concessions available for purchase along with other field day reminders. If you have any questions, contact Mr. House or your child's teachers. Plan to join us on April 22nd for the Thorndale Field Day fun!



EARTH DAY 2022. . Next Friday, April 22nd is the 52nd annual observance of Earth Day. Take a moment to discuss the importance of Christian stewardship of the environment with your family this week. You can certainly “help the earth” by remembering to recycle your aluminum cans, paper, plastic, glass, and through curbside pickup or at area collection centers.



THANKS TO ALL. . who donated candy or cash for today's St. Paul Lutheran Easter Egg Hunt. The students had a great time hunting eggs and receiving special treats. Thanks again for your donations that made our annual event a huge success!

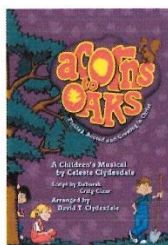
STAFF APPRECIATION DAYS. . Once again this spring, we have the opportunity to say “thank you” to members of our school staff who do so much to help our school and your child's positive educational experience at St. Paul Lutheran. The St. Paul PTLs is sponsoring Staff Appreciation Days as follows:



Secretary's Day – Wednesday, April 27th – Mrs. Mersiovsky
Pastor's Day – Thursday, April 28th – Pastor Schmidt
Principal's Day – Thursday, April 28th – Mr. House
Cooks' Day – Friday, April 29th – Mrs. Roeber & Mrs. Laris
Librarian & Custodian's Day – Friday, April 29th – Mrs. Kalbas
and our two City Wide janitors

A special Staff Appreciation Days flyer was sent home last Thursday with more information and ideas of how you might say “Thank You” to these special people. Any questions, contact the PTLs officers.

SPRING MUSICAL. . Rehearsal is underway for the 2022 St. Paul Spring Musical on **Sunday, May 22nd** following the 4:00 PM Graduation Service (please note the change in date). This year's musical entitled “**Acorns to Oaks**”, is a delightful and creative adaptation of the Parable of the Seed and the Sower that teaches kids that best way to produce the fruit God desires in their lives is to plan their roots firmly in God's Word. Please keep in mind---**ALL STUDENTS in Grades K-8** are involved in the musical and expected to attend. Mark the date on your calendars now, invite your relatives and friends, and plan to attend!



CHAPEL OFFERING PROJECT. . Our weekly chapel offerings for the final trimester will go to support the ministry of The Lutheran Confessional Church of Pakistan and Pastor Jay Dass, his wife Julie, and Pastor Soren Trifa. These servants work in Romania and Pakistan to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Muslim population of those countries. To date, we've **collected \$197.05** for the project. Remember your chapel offerings every Wednesday in support of the LCCP.



NEW ENROLLMENTS. . Applications are available for new families who wish to enroll for the first time at St. Paul Lutheran School in the 2022-23 school year. Several new families have toured our school and expressed interest in enrollment. If you have a friend, relative, or neighbor who desires a quality, Christian education for their child, pass this word along and encourage them to enroll at SPS.

FINANCIAL AID FORMS AVAILABLE.

. Funds are available through the St. Paul Lutheran Grant-in-Aid/Financial Assistance Program to help SPS families pay the 2022-23 Tuition Fee. If you're interested in applying for a tuition grant, please complete the simple form available from the school office. Keep in mind—a copy of your 2021 Income Tax Return Form 1040 and other applicable forms must accompany your financial aid application for your request to be considered. As always, it remains our desire that **NO STUDENT OR FAMILY WOULD BE UNABLE TO ATTEND ST. PAUL-SERBIN DUE TO FINANCIAL CONCERNS**. For more information, contact Mr. House.



5K/KID'S COLOR RUN. . The 8th annual St. Paul-Serbin 5K/Kid's Color Run is quickly approaching on Saturday, May 28th. This annual event is sponsored by the PTLs and profits from the run will go to support the educational programs of St. Paul Lutheran. Walk or run, sign up for fun or competition. Prizes will be awarded by gender in 7 different age groups. Individuals can register by completing the information on the flyer attached to the newsletter email (available on website, too) and return to Karla Hinze at the address indicated or by clicking on the link below:



<https://personalbestevents.raceentry.com/serbin-voyagers-5kkids-k/race-information>
 Sign up to participated today!
 Questions?—contact Karla at kjsurman@hotmail.com.

HAVE A BLESSED EASTER!

. . . Here's wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and blessed Eastertide! Share the joy of Christ's resurrection with everyone you meet this weekend—**“He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!”** Give me a call or stop by the office if I can help in any way!



Your partner in Christ,
 James L. House, Principal