

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

Welcome! *That You May Believe and Have Life in His Name.* On the Lord's Day, St. John the apostle was given a revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God, the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. He is the Living One, "the firstborn of the dead" (Rev. 1:5). He died for all people, and behold, He is alive forevermore! Therefore, He has "the keys of Death and Hades" (Rev. 1:18). For His death atoned for sin and conquered death, and in His resurrection He opened the kingdom of heaven to us. The "sharp two-edged sword" of His mouth (Rev. 1:16) calls you to "believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God," that by such faith "you may have life in his name" (John 20:31). To that end, He sends His ministers of the Word, as the Father sent Him, "to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins" (Acts 5:31).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Chris Birnbaum
Megan Cooper-recovering
Hudson Corn-hospitalized
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
Carol Jean Noack-recovering
Calvin Robertson
Gary Schautschick-recovering
Greg Sorrento-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)
Linda Tate
Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
Kenneth Weiser-recovering
Laverne Weiser-recovering
Ralph Wenke-hospitalized
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)
Judy Wesbrook (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 mourn:
The family of Barbara Symm
The family of Curtis Moerbe (grandfather of Laurie Kasper)

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— 184 of the hymnal

The Hymns: 525, 483, 781 v. 1&2, 411, 465, 611, 547

Sermon Text: Acts 9:1-22

The Sermon: **“By God’s Grace”**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God.
- † **We express our sympathy** to the family of Barbara Symm. She fell asleep in Jesus on Wednesday, April 27, 2022. Services for Mrs. Symm will be held here at St. Paul Lutheran Church this afternoon, May 1, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. May the Lord comfort the family with His word of promise.
- † **Thank you**, parents and students for all the goodies that made their way into the church office for Pastor’s and Secretaries appreciation day.
- † **May Calendar.** The May Calendar is available from the ushers and in the church office.
- † **Trustees Meeting.** The Trustees will meet tomorrow May 2nd, at 7:00 p.m. All trustees may pick up their packets in the church office today to review prior to the meeting.
- † **Graduates:** We would like to acknowledge the accomplishment of those who will be graduating from college this year (2022) and those that graduated last year (2021) in the church bulletin. Please let us know the names of those who have reached this milestone, the college graduated from, and what degree was achieved by Monday, May 16th.
- † **Serbin Alumni Basketball Game 2022.** Mark your calendar for May 28, 2022. A registration form is available in the church office or you can register online at the school website at stpaulserbinschool.org.
- † **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 at <https://personalbestevents.raceentry.com/serbin-voyagers-5kkids-k/race-information#!> Questions?— contact Karla Hinze @ kjsurman@hotmail.com.
- † **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.
- † **BBQ Chickens** - The Holy Cross Couples Club will have their annual BBQ Chickens-to-go on Mother’s Day, May 8th, at the Holy Cross Picnic Grounds in Warda. Whole chickens are \$12.00 and sauce is \$2.50. Pick-up will be from 10:30 to 12:00. PreOrders only by calling the church office at 979.242-3333, or contact Robert and Joyce Hinze at – 979-366-2398 or 979-540-0355 (Joyce) or 979-540-6911 (Robert). **Deadline to order is Monday, May 2nd.**
- † **Serbin 4-H** will be having their annual Fried Chicken Scholarship fundraiser Sunday, May 15th 10:30 am-12:30 pm at the picnic grounds. Tickets are \$12.00. Tickets will be available from a 4-H member or contact Rebecca Burgdorf at 979-540-6105 or Janis Lehmann at 979-540-0830 if you are interested in purchasing tickets.
- † **Texas Wendish Heritage Society Scholarship Program.** The Texas Wendish Heritage Society (TWHS) appreciates support given to our scholarship program. All Texas Wendish Heritage Scholarship funds are received through fundraising projects and donations. The TWHS scholarship program is available to students of Wendish descent and encourages students to learn more about their Wendish heritage. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited college, university or trade school for Fall 2022 semester. 2022-2023 scholarship applications will be available beginning April 19th online at texaswendish.org and on the Texas Wendish Facebook Page. The entire process is online and must be submitted digitally by the deadline; 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 15th, 2022. For more information contact the Texas Wendish Heritage Museum at 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.net. In 2021, a total of \$15,000 was awarded in scholarships to thirteen students. **Thanks for your support!**
- † **The Voyager View.** The monthly Voyager View is available in the church office.

As we gather at the Lord’s Table, we practice close communion. For the sake of responsible pastoral care, members should have previously announced their intent to commune today. Guests who are members of a sister LCMS church and any others having concerns about their participation are asked to speak with Pastor before communing.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, May 8th, “**What the Bible Is Like**”. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Bible is like a encyclopedia, a love letter, a self-help book, and a Good News article—but these comparisons all fall short. (2 Timothy 3:16-17). 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:

May 1 – Easter III

The Gospel of Jesus Christ reverses expectations. The Lamb once slain now reigns (Revelation 5). The persecutor gets converted (Acts 9). Empty nets bring abundance in (John 21). Dancing emerges from mourning (Psalm 30). Applied to life issues, this reveals what we call control – “my body, my choice” – as actually captivity, and God holds precious what we regard as paltry. Where we see only darkness and death, He has sown life and light!

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today	Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m. Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. PTLS Meeting – 10:15 a.m.
Mon. – Fri.	Teacher Appreciation Week
Monday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. Trustee’s Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. Board of Christian Education Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m. LWML Quilting – 9:00 a.m. Adult Choir – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. School Chapel – 8:30 a.m. National Day of Prayer Flagpole Assembly
Friday	“Muffins w/Mom’s” Parent Fellowship – 7:15 a.m.
Next Sunday	Worship Service – 8:30 a.m. Mother’s Day Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Acolytes: Gabriel Bailey and Kenedy Schatte

Birthdays: Today – Lora Fridenberg; 3rd – Jeremy Becker, Heather Hartfield, Ryne Todd; 4th – John Clausen; 5th – Brooklyn Mersiovsky; 7th – Cynthia Becker, Marvin Lorenz, Douglas Malke, Logan Perry. God’s Blessings to you.

Serving today: Elders– Mark Jones and Steven Schautschick
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Rachel Schautschick and Evelyn Williams
Head Ushers- Donald Becker
Captain- Craig Oltmann Assistant- Payton Oltmann
Ushers- Bradley Albrecht, Thomas Birnbaum, Seth Kalbas,
Chase Oltmann, Gary Oltmann, David Michael,
Nathan Michael, Bradly Schautschick, Austin Schmidt,
Benjamin Symm, Sebastian Synm
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Rex Perry
Tim Symm, Chase Oltmann, Virgil Becker

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 235, Bible Class- 20; Sunday School- 28, Offering- \$25.00.

Offering Last Week: \$12,286.40

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$8,203.90	Mission	\$554.00
Maundy Thursday	\$2.00	Mission Total	\$554.00
Good Friday	\$3.00	Savings/Other:	
Easter	\$160.00	Building Fund	\$50.00
Sunday School	\$25.00	Maundy Thursday	\$3.00
Lunch Room	\$754.00	Good Friday	\$2.00
ECC Operating	\$1,302.50	Easter	\$160.00
School Registration	\$650.00	Ascension	\$20.00
Tuition	\$372.00	Scholarship	\$25.00
Received 3/24/2022	\$11,472.40	Savings/Other Total	\$260.00
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00	Total	\$12,286.40
Received MTD	\$88,765.43		
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Adelia Becker by Robin & Sherri Buscha - \$75.00. In memory of Paul Zoch by Leonard & Lucy Mitschke - \$100.00. In memory of Curtis Urban by M/M Gilbert Krause - \$25.00. In memory of Hubert Sliva by Calvin & Ina Mitschke - \$250.00. In memory of Walter Noack by Martin & Jeannie Werchan - \$100.00; by Michael & Teresa Krause - \$25.00; by M/M Theodore Heinsohn - \$100.00; by Bob & Tissie Schwebel - \$50.00; by Gene & Cathy Noack & family and Kathy & Vic Lohberg & family - \$100.00. **Building:** In memory of Walter Noack by Monroe Becker - \$30.00. In memory of Kenny Jurecka by Kevin & Sherri Coffman - \$20.00. **Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Walter Noack by Linda Jones - \$25.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of Walter Noack by Bobby & Carolyn Oltmann - \$50.00.

Register now for VBS 2022: The Tree of Life- God's Plan for Salvation- June 13th - 17th.

Register for VBS on the church website or on the school facebook page! St. Paul's VBS is for children age 3 - 7th Grade! We have an exciting week planned of learning about how Jesus' cross became the tree of life in which God forgives us and gives us everlasting life! We will have lots of fun activities, sing great songs, have crafts, snacks, and so much more! I hope you can join us!

Volunteer for VBS-June 13th-17th! If you would like to volunteer this Summer for VBS, please contact VBS Director- Krista Rodriguez (979-716-0143). Volunteer meeting for VBS volunteers is Sunday, May 15th following Bible class.





Free Wednesday mornings?

This week, our students will be leading a chapel at Immanuel Lutheran in Giddings, beginning at 8:05 am. We will NOT have chapel at 10:30 due to this opportunity for our students.

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!

The Spring Thing!

FLHS is proud to present The Spring Thing! This will be a showcase of our students' work in the fine art department. Please join us at Holy Cross's Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, May 11th, at 7pm.

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.

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!

Amazon Smile

Did you know Faith Lutheran High School is on Amazon Smile? After you select FLHS as the charity of your choice, every time you purchase something from Amazon Smile, FLHS will receive a donation. In the past two years, FLHS has received over \$400 from this program. Thank you!