

# St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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## The Sixth Sunday of Easter

25 May 2025

**Welcome! We Pray to the Father in Jesus' Name.** "In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). Jesus has opened the way to the Father so that "whatever you ask of the Father" in Jesus' name, "he will give it to you" (John 16:23). We pray, therefore, in the confidence that we will be heard and answered, that our "joy may be full" (John 16:24). We pray because the Gospel has been preached to us and the Lord has opened our hearts to believe the Gospel (Acts 16:10, 14). We pray in the name of Jesus because we have been baptized into Him, as Lydia and her household were baptized (Acts 16:15). We have been healed, and we live and walk and pray in newness of life (John 5:8-9). For we stand upon the firm foundation "of the twelve apostles of the Lamb" (Rev. 21:14), and our temple is "the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb" (Rev. 21:22). We invite you all to worship with us again.

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### In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Nancy Bucholz-recovering  
Dorothy Exner-recovering  
Herbert Handrick (uncle of Shannon Handrick)  
Mike Hensel-hospitalized (friend of the Werchans)  
Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)  
Ruth Kluetz-recovering  
Billy Krause-recovering  
Gilbert Krause-recovering  
Vic Lohberg  
Douglas Malke-hospitalized  
Ruben Melcher-recovering (uncle of James, Johnny,  
Larry & Leroy Kalbas))  
Chris Miertschin-recovering  
Marilyn Miertschin-recovering  
Clay Matrthew Mumm-recovering (grandson of Pastor  
and Kathy Mumm)  
Antoinette Richardson-recovering  
Larry Schatte-recovering  
Camie Smiley-surgery (friend of Thomas Birnbaum)  
David Wachsmann (cousin of Billy Krause)  
Laverne Weiser

Irene Zoch-recovering (mother of Donnie Zoch)

### Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

#### Those fighting cancer including:

Teresita Brodrick (aunt of David Wittman)  
Vernon Bryant (friend of Arthur & Dianna Noack)  
Russell Cleghorn (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)  
Brandon Cleland (brother of Sonya Schautschick)  
Ginger Clifford (sister of Nancy Kasper)  
Ralph & Debbie Domel (sister & brother-in-law of Mary  
Jatzlau)  
Sherri Fritsche  
Christie Hall (friend of Mark Arldt)  
Dana Herzog (niece of Becky Weise)  
Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)

Devin Jackson (brother-in-law of Chris and Michelle  
Birnbaum)

Betty Jenkins (mother of Jared Jenkins)

Brenda Karisch (friend of Bonnie Wenke family)

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

Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)

Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)

Susan Mogonye-recovering (mother of Lindsey Hansen)

Cannon Martin (nephew of Christopher Taylor)

Kelli Meinholdt (sister of Carie Oltmann)

Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)

Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt's from Germany)

Carol Sander

Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)

Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)

Courtney Wagner (cousin of Mark Gruetzner)

Jordan Weidemann (friend of Byron Kalbas)

Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)

### Those serving in the Armed Forces including:

Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss,  
El Paso

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

Randall Weise (grandson of Bernice Doebbler) Ft.

Huachuca, Arizona

Dylan Robbins (cousin of Michelle Birnbaum) Jacksonville,  
NC

Aron Marak (nephew of Mike and Susie Maass) Fr. Bragg,  
North Carolina

Kyler Brown (friend of Dorthy Schautschick) U.S. Navy-  
Bahrain

Benjamin Symm-Training Camp Johnson, North Carolina

Jacob Droegemueller Ft. Jackson, South Carolina

Corey Pedeville (friend of Dorothy Schautschick) Army-  
serving in Saudia Arabia

### Those who mourn:

The family of Joyce Dowling

### Seasonal Weather

**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: 826, 556, 781 v. 1&2, 411, 842

Sermon Text: Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27

The Sermon: **“I Will Show You”**

- ✠ **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God by the 50<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Anniversary class.
- ✠ **Altar flowers** are needed for Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to place flowers on any of these Sunday's please contact Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094
- ✠ **We express our sympathy** to the family of Joyce Dowling. She fell asleep in Jesus, Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Funeral services for Mrs. Dowling were held here at St. Paul Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 24, 2025. May the Lord comfort the family with His word of promise.
- ✠ **May 18<sup>th</sup> Special Voters Meeting Minutes.** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Frank Isom to wax the floors of the school, classrooms, gym and hallways at a cost of \$3,295, an increase from \$3,175 cost since 2017. Waxing to be performed over summer break. Monies to come from the General Fund.
- ✠ **The Church Office** will be closed on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.
- ✠ **The Early Childhood Center** will be closed on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Memorial Day.
- ✠ **June Calendar.** The June Calendar is available from the ushers this morning, and in the church office.
- ✠ **Community League Baseball –** The Serbin Jackrabbits will play Flatonia today at Serbin. Time for the game is 2:00 p.m. Next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, Serbin is idle. Results of last week's game, Serbin 16, Shiner 1.
- ✠ **Graduation Cards** are available in the Church office. Cards are \$1.00 each or \$12.00/box.
- ✠ **Sunday School Help.** We are looking for a Sunday School Teacher for grades 1 & 2 and a helper for kindergarten. If you are interested, please contact the church office.
- ✠ **The Holy Land Christian Solidarity Cooperative.** Oday Victor and his wife Natali from the Cooperative will have the Olive Wood available after church and at the picnic today.
- ✠ **Picnic Schedule.** A schedule of today's activities is available from the usher this morning,

**LUTHERAN HOUR:** Next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, **“God's Gumbo”**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The Church is like a pot of Louisiana gumbo, a diverse stew bound together by the power of Jesus' love. (John 17:20-1). 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](http://lhm.org) for a link to listen to the Lutheran Hour live.

**Life Thoughts in the Church Year:**

**May 25 – Easter VI**

Surprise pregnancy, infertility, disability, or terminal diagnosis sometimes hide the sanctity of life. But humankind's Heavenly Bridegroom beholds every member of our race as beautiful, blessed, and special (Revelation 21:7). His Word helps us see every neighbor with the same gracious eyes that regard us beloved. What joy will be ours when our mouths give voice to our vision—and invite our whole society to share!

**Serving today: Elders—** David Fritsche and Gary Oltmann

**Organist-** Susan Michael

**Acolytes-** Nathen Barnett and Cole Kalbas

**Head Ushers-** Donald Becker

**Captain-** Michael Becker **Assistant-** Glen Albrecht

**Ushers-** Wyatt Arldt, Gabriel Bailey, Virgil Becker,

Jace Heuermann, Clay Mertink, Cody Mertink,

Cole Mertink, Owen Wittman, Robert Zoch

**Counting and Posting offering this week:**

**Chairman-** Glen Albrecht

Daniel Marak, Virgil Becker, Pablo Rodriguez

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## THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today	<b>Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.</b> Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Community League Baseball – Serbin v. Flatonia – 2:00 p.m. @ Serbin <b>131<sup>st</sup> Annual Serbin Homecoming Picnic</b>
Monday	<b>Memorial Day</b> <b>ECC Closed</b> <b>Church Office Closed</b>
Tues. – Fri.	Faculty End of School Meetings
Thursday	<b>Ascension Day Worship w/Communion – 7:00 p.m.</b> Acolytes: Emmalynn Knott and Kalisa Oltmann Greeter: Dianna Noack
Next Sunday	<b>Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.</b> Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Acolytes: Kylie Schmidt and Kelton Schulze Greeter: Dorothy Schautschick

**Birthdays: Today** – Helen Gonzales; 26<sup>th</sup> – Debra Hartfield, Koralyn Schautschick, Emerson Weise; 28<sup>th</sup> – Cheri Solomon, Macy Sommerfield; 29<sup>th</sup> – Reinleigh Kappler, Keith Miertschin; 30<sup>th</sup> – Allison Haas, Rylan Todd; 31<sup>st</sup> – Courtney Kaiser. God's Blessings to you.

## ST. PAUL NOTES:

**Attendance Last Week:** Morning Worship- 239, Bible Class- 125;  
Sunday School- 27, Banner Classes: Grade 5, Offering- \$16.00.

**Offering Last Week:** \$31,079.06

<b>Home:</b>		<b>Mission:</b>	
General	\$8,585.00	Mission	\$280.00
Sunday School	\$16.00	<b>Mission Total</b>	<b>\$280.00</b>
Lunch Room	\$875.00	<b>Savings/Other:</b>	
ECC Operating	\$10,717.06	Building Fund	\$100.00
Registration	\$785.00	Bus Replacement Fund	\$37.50
Tuition	\$9,683.50	<b>Savings/Other Total</b>	<b>\$137.50</b>
<b>Received 5/18/2025</b>	<b>\$30,661.56</b>		
		Total	\$31,079.06
<b>Est. needed per week</b>	<b>\$31,870.00</b>		
<b>Received MTD</b>	<b>\$122,086.76</b>		
<b>Est. needed per month</b>	<b>\$138,103.00</b>		

**MEMORIALS: General:** In memory of Ludwig Krause by M/M Andy Masek - \$30.00; by JoLynn Schoenberg - \$200.00; by Hunter & Peggy Schappaugh - \$500.00; by Susan Michael- \$500.00; by Marvin & Charlyn Matthijetz - \$40.00; by Floyd Kasper - \$25.00; by Robert & Brenda Muniz - \$50.00; by Johnny and Maxine Bradshaw - \$40.00; by M/M Calvin Coufal - \$100.00. In memory of George Hernandez by Johnny & Maxine Bradshaw - \$40.00. In memory of Eleanor Berger by Golda Berger - \$50.00; by Donna Chauvin & family - \$50.00. In memory of George Hernandez and Ludwig Krause by Janet Oltmann - \$50.00. In memory of Ludwig Krause, Charles Winkler and Olivia Weiser Mize by Martin Jeannie Werchan - \$150.00. **LWML:** In memory of George Hernandez by Bonnie & Louis Pierce, Helen Medina and Elaine Pounder - \$100.00 (for family luncheon). **Building:** In memory of George Hernandez by Curtis Oltmann family - \$100.00.



**Epic Australian Adventure VBS- June 9th-13th!** Register NOW to have an unforgettable journey with Jesus! Scan the QR code or visit the church website.

**How can you help with VBS?**

1. **Volunteer for VBS-** Please let Krista Rodriguez (979-716-0143) know if you would like to assist with VBS this Summer!
2. **Sign-up to bring Snack items-** "Scan the Snack QR code, or visit the church website, to volunteer to bring items needed for Snack"
3. **Designate your offering to VBS-** You can provide a monetary donation to help cover the cost of VBS items through your offering.
4. **Pray for VBS-** God is working in the lives and hearts of many people through the VBS program! We pray that each child, adult, family, and volunteer is brought closer to Jesus through their experience with VBS.

