

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

Welcome! *The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep.* Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, “they will never perish” (John 10:28), for “no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand” (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, “shepherds”) “care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood” (Acts 20:28), “testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ” (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” (Rev. 7:10).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

Chris Birnbaum

Meghan Cooper-recovering

Hudson Corn-hospitalized

Dora Durrenberger-recovering

Pat Hughes-recovering (friend of James and

Kathy Kalbas)

Hildegard Krause

Mary Loewe (mother of Christi Bradford)

Chris Miertschin

Shannon Miertschin

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)

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 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 mourn:

The family of Crystal Garza (cousin of Dorothy Schautschick)

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: 821, 709, 781 v. 1&2, 605, 937

Sermon Text: John 10:22-30

The Sermon: **“To Whom Do You Listen”**

K-8th Grade Anthem: ♪ “I’ve Got the Joy”

Adult Choir Anthem: ♪ “The Lamb”

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor of all mothers on this special day, but especially in honor of Katie Schmidt who gave birth on this special day to my loving husband 56 years ago by Lisa Schmidt.
- † **The Altar Stand flowers** are placed to the glory of God in loving memory of my wife, Barbara Symm, by Michael Symm, and in loving memory of mom, Barbara Symm, by Andrea, Jordan, Holden and Kamdyn Goedrich and Erica, Stephen, Lukas and Cora Iselt
- † **Thank You.** Our thanks to all for their prayers, cards, memorials, phone calls, and kind words of support. We thank Pastor Schmidt for his visits, prayers and funeral message. We also thank Susan Michael for providing the music for the service, the LWML for arranging the lunch, the ladies who served, and for all who provided the food. *Michael Symm and family*
- † **Thank you** to the PTLs for providing recognition gifts for mothers this morning.
- † **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.
- † **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.
- † **Attention Bakers!** We need your desserts on Picnic Sunday! Please drop them off before church at the LWML booth at the picnic. Any questions you can call Melodi @ 979-540-0036. Thanks for your support!
- † **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!**

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, May 15th, “**What the Bible is About**”. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. To make sense of a 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle, one needs to know “the big picture.” The Bible is like that, too. (1 Corinthians 15:3-5). 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 8 – Easter IV/Mother’s Day

“Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me” (Psalm 23:4). Boundaries do not restrict freedom but complete it by releasing from the dangers beyond. Moms—like God—discipline because they love. So let us heed His voice (John 10:27) and not shrink from declaring anything that is profitable, both in public and at home (Acts 20:20), including that abortion is sinful and every human life is precious.

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today	Worship Service – 8:30 a.m. Mother’s Day Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Monday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
Tuesday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday	Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m. School Chapel – 8:30 a.m. LWML Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.
Friday	Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m. St. Paul Lutheran Field Day
Next Sunday	Worship Service w/Communion– 8:30 a.m. Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m. Acolytes: Ayla Droegemueller and Trey Fritsche 4-H Fried Chicken Dinner

Birthdays: Today – Linda Oltmann, Rev. John Schmidt, Carlie Weiser; 9th – Berkley Schatte; 10th – Jason Heuermann, Christopher Schulz; 11th – Malia Droegemueller, Paul Sommerfiled; 12th – Evelyn Williams; 14th – Joshua Adair, Monroe Becker, Reagan Hinze, Jacob Ray. God’s Blessings to you.

Serving today: **Elders**– Mark Jones and Steven Schautschick
Organist- Susan Michael
Acolytes- Gabriel Bailey and Kenedy Schatte
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- Glen Abrecht
Nathan Michael, Carson Becker, Ty Kasper

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 235, Communion- 126, Bible Class- 28; Sunday School- 28, Banner Classes: Nursery I, Grade 1, Offering- \$20.00.

Offering Last Week: \$16,327.14

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$14,105.25	Mission	\$324.00
Sunday School	\$100.00	Lutheran Hour	\$50.00
Use of Facility	\$150.00	Mission Total	\$374.00
ECC Operating	\$1,187.50	Savings/Other:	
Received 5/1/2022	\$15,542.75	School Fund	\$150.00
		School Oil & Gas	\$15.39
Est. needed per week	\$22,500.00	Building Fund	\$220.00
Received MTD	\$15,542.75	Cemetery Fund	\$25.00
Est. needed per month	\$97,500.00	Savings/Other Total	\$410.39
		Total	\$16,327.14

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Walter Noack by Xiadyan Lin Heinsohn & David B. Heinshon - \$100.00; by Randy & Janice Becker - \$25.00. In memory of Walter Noack and Barbara Symm by Robert & Joyce Hinze - \$40.00. In memory of Barbara Symm by David & Susan Michael - \$25.00; by Randy & Janice Becker & family - \$25.00; by Martin & Jeannie Werchan - \$100.00; by Doris Fritsche - \$20.00; by David & Karen Schmidt - \$25.00. In memory of Renee Bray by Laura Bray - \$5.00. **Lutheran Hour:** In memory of Joe Orts by Randy & Janice Becker & family - \$25.00. In honor of Gertrude Lorenz's 96th birthday by Robert & Joyce Hinze - \$25.00. **Sunday School:** In memory of Barbara Symm by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - \$30.00; by Arthur & Dianna Noack - \$50.00. **ECC Operating:** In memory of Curtis Urban by Arthur & Dianna Noack - \$50.00. **School Fund:** In memory of Walter Noack by M/M Larry Schatte - \$50.00. In memory of Barbara Symm by Bobby & Carolyn Oltmann - \$50.00; by Gary & Cindy Becker - \$50.00. **Building:** In memory of Barbara Symm by James & Janet Oltmann - \$35.00; by Eldor, Lori & Jeremy Becker - \$20.00; by Robert & Brenda Muniz - \$40.00. In memory of Walter Noack by Curtis Oltmann family - \$100.00. In memory of Curtis Urban by Alton Weiser - \$25.00. **Cemetery Fund:** In memory of Walter Noack by Janiece Becker - \$25.00. **Faith Lutheran High School:** In memory of Barbara Symm by Mary Ann & Delbert Prellop - \$25.00. In memory of Curtis Urban by Mary Ann & Delbert Prellop - \$25.00.

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.

