

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Serbin, Texas



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The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

Welcome! *Jesus Has Defeated the Devil and Released Us from the Bondage of Sin and Death.*

The devil deceived us, enticing us to disregard and disobey the Word of God and driving us to hide “from the presence of the LORD God.” But the Lord, in His mercy, promised a Savior, who would set Himself against the devil on our behalf (Gen. 3:8–15). The Son of Man came, the incarnate Son of God, conceived and born of the woman. He “first binds the strong man,” Satan, by atoning for the sins of the world, thereby removing the condemnation of the Law and the fear of death (Mark 3:27). Now He plunders the devil’s house by calling all men to repent. Though He appears to be “out of his mind” (Mark 3:21), He fulfills the will of God and makes of us His own brothers and sisters. Therefore, “we do not lose heart,” despite the suffering, sin and death that we experience in this fallen world. “He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus.” By His grace, we are “being renewed day by day.” For the Gospel is daily bringing us into His presence, not for punishment, but for “an eternal weight of glory” (2 Cor. 4:14–17).

We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:

- Red Arldt-recovering*
- Chris Birnbaum-hospitalized*
- Christi Fritsche-recovering*
- Garry Fritsche-recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)*
- George Hernandez-recovering*
- Roselie Johnson-recovering (mother of Carie Oltmann)*
- Judy Kalbas*
- Russell Kappler-recovering*
- Pastor Joshua Knippa, Holy Cross, Nederland, recovering from liver transplant surgery*
- Claudelle Krska (friend of Antionette Richardson)*
- Charlyn Matthijetz*
- Sylvin Mersiovsky (father of Stephen Merisovsky)*
- Bobby Oltmann-recovering*
- Ethan Ray-recovering*
- Antoinette Richardson-recovering*
- Ruth Siegmund-hospitalized (friend of Eldor & Lori Becker)*
- Cindy Umphries-recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)*
- Jeannie Werchan-recovering*

Our members in nursing homes and our shut-ins.

Those fighting cancer including:

- Lillian Bamsch (sister-in-law of Charlyn & Marvin Matthijetz)*
- Randy Belz (uncle of Amanda Carter)*
- 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)*
- Stephen Kasper)*
- Franklin Hoffman (father of Maxine Bradshaw)*
- Devin Jackson (brother-in-law of Chris and Michelle Birnbaum)*
- Paul Kappler-hospitalized*
- Brenda Karisch (friend of Bonnie Wenke family)*

- Steven Kelly (cousin of Jessica Gruetzner, brother-in-law of Christi Bradford)*
- Betty Kildair (aunt of Dorothy Schautschick)*
- Bethany Lara (daughter of Kathy Gersch)*
- Heather Lilly (granddaughter of Irene Noack)*
- Ruby Maass (mother of Linda Schonhoeft)*
- Cannon Martin (nephew of Christopher Taylor)*
- Gladys Mathena (sister of Frances Miertschin and Marilyn Miertschin)*
- Rhonda Mitschke (friend of Christi Fritsche)*
- Ron Muessel (father of Chris Miertschin)*
- Walter Rehle (friend of the Arldt’s from Germany)*
- Carol Sander*
- Diane Sanders (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)*
- Louise Schubert (aunt of Bonnie Bise and Steven Schautschick)*

- Karen Symm (sister of Michael Symm)*
- Martin Werchan*
- Judy Westbrook (mother of Heather Krause)*
- Those serving in the Armed Forces including:**
- Steven Cutlip (brother of Stephanie Symm), Fort Bliss, El Paso*
- Kosh Ozmun (son of Stephanie Miertschin), Ft. Cavazos, 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*
- 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*

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: 645, 668, 781 v. 1&2, 735, 850

Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

The Sermon: **“Therefore I Am”**

- † **The Altar flowers** are placed to the glory of God in honor Pastor and Lisa Schmidt’s 35th wedding anniversary by their children and grandchildren. God blessings for many more.
- † **Altar flowers** are needed for Sunday, 30th. If you would like to place flowers on that Sunday, please contact Dorothy Schautschick at 716-0094.
- † **Voter Meeting Minutes.** The minutes from the Special Voter’s Meetings that were held on May 19th and June 2nd are included in the bulletin this morning.
- † **Community League Baseball** – The Serbin Jackrabbits will play New Ulm today at Serbin. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Next Sunday, June 16th, Serbin will play Weimar at Weimar. Time for the game is 3:00 p.m. Results of last week’s game, Serbin idle.
- † **BBQ Pork Steak Dinner:** The St. Paul Lutheran Church Adult Fellowship in Serbin is having a BBQ Pork Steak dinner on Sunday, June 16th from 10:00-12:00 at the Serbin Picnic Grounds. Only advance plates will be sold for \$15.00 and all are to-go. If you would like to order plates, please contact Susan Michael at 979-540-0854 or Sharon Claxton at 979-540-7154 by June 10th. All proceeds will be going toward future church/school projects. Thank You!
- † **Music Program.** As we prepare for the next school year, we are looking for anyone willing to help with the music program. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office
- † **Sunday School Help.** We are looking for a Sunday School Teacher/Helper to help with the 3&4 grade. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, June 16th, **“Water Power”**. Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God’s mission is like water. Without changing what it is, the Good News of God’s Kingdom takes the shape of its cultural container, crossing boundaries and barriers. (Acts 16:5). 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 Thoughts in the Church Year:

June 9 – Pentecost III

We believe Almighty God creates human beings in His own image, and so we also speak (2 Corinthians 4:13) against using death as a solution. We believe He redeems each one through his beloved Son, and so we also speak it, despite political opposition or popular opinion. We believe He calls them all by his very Spirit, and so we also speak the sanctity of every human life?

Serving today: Elders– David Fritsche and Gary Oltmann

Organist- Jack Wiederhold

Acolytes- Nathan Schautschick and Kylie Schmidt

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, Benjamin Schonhoeft, Robert Zoch

Counting and Posting offering this week:

Chairman- Glen Albrecht

Tommy Miertchin, Ty Kasper, Payton Oltmann

THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today **Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
 LYF Meeting & Social – 12:30 p.m.

Mon. – Fri. Vacation Bible School

Tuesday PTLs Officers Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday LWML Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Friday **Flag Day**

Next Sunday **VBS Closing Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**
Father’s Day
 Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
 Acolytes: Kelton Schulze and Hudson Short
 Greeter: Melodi Oltmann
 LAF Pork Steak Dinner

Birthdays: Today – Gable Weise; 10th – Christopher Kanevsky, Courtney Becker; 11th – Donald Becker, Randall Becker, Jason Kessler, Mark Weiser; 12th – Jolee Faske; 13th – Robert Zoch; 14th – Joseph Kalbas, Mike Maass, Bobby Oltmann. Ashley Spivey; 13th – Ollie Carter. God’s Blessings to you.

ST. PAUL NOTES:

Attendance Last Week: Morning Worship- 241, Communion- 148, Sunday School- 20, Offering- \$20.00.

Offering Last Week: \$14,272.64

Home:		Mission:	
General	\$11,268.00	Mission	\$820.00
Sunday School	\$20.00	Mission Total	\$820.00
Lunch Room	\$336.00	Savings/Other:	
ECC Operating	\$1,003.64	Scholarship	\$25.00
School Registration	\$650.00	Savings/Other Total	\$25.00
Use of Facility	\$150.00		
Received 6/2/2024	\$13,427.64	Total	\$14,272.64
Est. needed per week	\$29,635.00		
Received MTD	\$13,427.64		
Est. needed per month	\$128,417.00		

MEMORIALS: General: In memory of Dane Luedke by Calvin & Ina Mitschke - \$500.00. **Scholarship Fund:** In memory of Mary Arrington by Linda Jones - \$25.00.

✝ **Pictorial Directory:** Plans are underway for our 2024 Pictorial Directory. Photography dates for the directory will be June 17 – June 23 and July 15 – July 21. Sign up for photography times. Sign-up sheets are in the church office on Sunday mornings. You can come by or call the Church Office during the week and we will be happy to sign you up. Check your calendars and get ready to come and be a part of this 2024 edition of the directory.

Here is the link for sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FAAAA29A2F8CF8-48684408-stpaul>





Share the Gift of Love

Faith Lutheran High School has a unique role in combining knowledge and God's love in a student's high school experience. We are partnering with families at the intersection of education and faith development. If you would like to support our ministry through a one-time or enduring gift, Thrivent Action Grant or volunteer your time and talents, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck.

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. LIMITED AVAILABILITY in all camps!

June 10-12 - Basketball - Grades K to 8 - \$25

June 17-19 - STEM Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$50

June 24-26 - Art Camp - Grades K to 6 - \$50

July 1-2 - Archery - Grade 4 to 8 - \$20

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

Golf Tournament Postponed

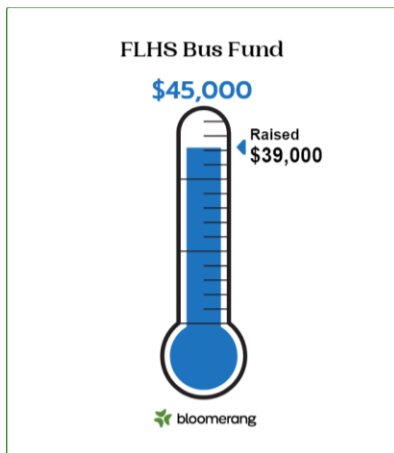
Faith Lutheran High School annual Golf Tournament was postponed due to weather. The new date will be Saturday, June 29th. at Frisch Auf Country Club in La Grange Texas. Shotgun start at 8:00 AM and an afternoon flight. For more information, please call (979) 242-2889 or visit our website at www.flhstx.org.

New Student Registration

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year is underway. We already have new students enrolled and 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.

Summer Office Hours

June and July office hours will be Monday to Thursday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. Please drop by for a visit!



Transportation Fund

Did you know FLHS is raising funds to purchase a transportation option? FLHS plans to use this fund to purchase a bus to help transport our students to extracurricular activities and events. We have already made significant progress, but please consider a donation to help us finish raising the funds needed to move forward with this project. Thanks to some wonderful supporters, we are moving closer to our goal each week! Thank you for your support!!