Welcome! Jesus Christ Is the Great Shepherd of His Sheep. “The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Tim. 1:15). As He had mercy on Paul, in order to “display his perfect patience” (1 Tim. 1:16), so also does He seek out His sheep “from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness” (Ezek. 34:12). To deliver His flock, He “will seek the lost, … bring back the strayed, … bind up the injured, and … strengthen the weak” (Ezek. 34:16), and “they shall no longer be a prey” (Ezek. 34:22). He sets over them one great Good Shepherd, the Son of David, who “shall feed them and be their shepherd” (Ezek. 34:23). For Christ Jesus is the one man who, “having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them,” would “leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it” (Luke 15:4). When He finds the lost one and brings it home rejoicing, “the angels of God” and all the company of heaven rejoice with Him, with great joy (Luke 15:7, 10). We invite you all to worship with us again.

In Our Prayers:

Those recovering from surgeries and illness:
- Gary D. Becker - recovering
- Barbara Birnbaum - recovering (mother of Chris Birnbaum)
- Hudson Corn - recovering
- Louis Doebbler - recovering
- Donnie Garrett - hospitalized (friend of Jamie Jordan)
- Gladys Karisch
- Ludwig Krause - recovering
- Hildegard Krause
- Theresa Krause - recovering
- Chris Miertschin
- Shannon Miertschin
- Irene Noack
- Zelda Richards - recovering
- Melvin Schulze
- Greg Sorrento - recovering (nephew of Doris Fritsche)
- Cindy Umphries - recovering (friend of James & Kathy Kalbas)
- Laverne Weiser
- Conway Whited (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)
- Don Claxton (father of Jeff Claxton)

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

Those who mourn:
- The family of Joyce Bise
- Rain

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: 710, 609, 781 v. 1&2, 744, 740
The Sermon: “Found In Christ”

The Altar flowers are placed to the glory of God in honor of Judy Kalbas for her 70th birthday by Aaron & Pam Kalbas, Joseph & Kalen Kalbas, Jordan & Lacey Kalbas and her 12 grandchildren

The Altar Side Stand and Window flowers are placed to the glory of God from the Joyce Bise funeral.

Thank You. We would like to thank everyone for your prayers, visits, memorials, cards and phone calls at the passing of our beloved wife and mother Joyce Bise. Special thank you to Pastor Schmidt for his many visits during her illness and beautiful funeral message, to Jack Wiederhold for providing the music at the service. We are thankful for the delicious luncheon arranged by the LWML, the ladies who served, and for all who provided the food.

The family of Joyce Bise

Portals of Prayer. The October-December Portals of Prayer are available from the ushers this morning and can be picked up in the church office.

Fried Chicken Dinner: Just a reminder to pick up your fried chicken dinner plates from the St. Paul Lutheran Church Adult Fellowship today at the Serbin Picnic Grounds from 10:00-12:00. Thank you for your support!

WENDISH FEST: The 34th Annual Wendish Fest will be hosted by St. Paul Lutheran Church and the Texas Wendish Heritage Society on Sunday, September 25, 2022 @ Serbin, Texas. Guest speaker for the 8:30 English Church Service and the 10:30 German Church Service will be Rev. Michael Newman, President, Texas District LCMS; Rev. John Schmidt, St. Paul Serbin (English Liturgy) and Rev. Thomas Obersat of Ebenezer Manheim (German Liturgy). Church tours will be offered @ 12:30 & 1:30p.m. The day will offer lots of Wendish history, heritage, culture and family activities @ the St. Paul Picnic Grounds. Tickets for the traditional Wendish noon meal will go on sale at 10:30 a.m. Adults are $12 and children $6. To-Go and drive-thru will also be available at 9:30 – all take-out meals are $12. The joy of polka music will be shared throughout the day by The Shiner Hobo Band, and students of St. Paul Lutheran School will present Ptačí Kwas (Wendish Bird Wedding). The Texas Wendish Heritage Museum Complex will feature Wendish folkways, demonstrations and exhibits, a German Christmas Market and the traditional decorated Wendish Easter Egg demonstrations and sales. Research and genealogy assistance will be available. This year we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Texas Wendish Heritage Society so people are encouraged to wear their sunbonnets or hats! Wendish Fest is made possible through the work of many volunteers. We appreciate each and every one! For information contact 979-366-2441 or museum@texaswendish.org or www.texaswendish.org

DESSERTS NEEDED FOR WENDISH FEST: Wendish Fest attendees really appreciate having desserts available to them during Wendish Fest. All desserts donated by volunteers are greatly appreciated. Those who wish to provide a dessert are asked to bring them uncut, to the pavilion on Sunday morning by 8:30 a.m. Desserts can also be dropped at the museum the day before. Thank you!

LUTHERAN HOUR: Next Sunday, September 18th, “Fresh Start”. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. What does the canning of a corrupt and incompetent accountant teach us about the undeserved mercy of God? Hear Jesus’ Parable of the Shrewd Manager, this week on the Lutheran Hour. (Luke 16:9) 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.

Serving today: Elders—Monroe Schatte, Jr. and Dwayne Schulze
Organist- Jack Wiederhold
Acolytes- Brooke Lehmann and Grant Oltmann
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 Symm
Counting and Posting offering this week:
Chairman- Glen Albrecht
Brooks Kasper, Tommy Miertschin, Pablo Rodriguez

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THE CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Today  
**Worship Service – 8:30 a.m.**  
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.  
LYF Meeting & Social – 2:00 p.m.  
LAF Fried Chicken Dinner

Monday  
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.  
Campus Lockdown Drill

Tuesday  
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.  
Circuit Meeting @ Zion, Schulenburg -9:00 a.m.

Wednesday  
Staff Bible Study – 7:30 a.m.  
School Chapel – 8:30 a.m.  
Youth Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.  
LWML Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday  
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.

Friday  
Staff Devotions – 7:30 a.m.  
ECC Music Day

Next Sunday  
**Worship Service w/Communion – 8:30 a.m.**  
Bible Class and Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.  
Acolytes: Kenedy Schatte and Benjamin Schonhoeft  
Sunday School Teachers Meeting – 10:15 a.m.


ST. PAUL NOTES:

**Attendance Last Week:** Morning Worship- 251, Communion-156, Bible Class- 17; Sunday School- 39, Banner Classes: Grade 3, Offering- $32.00.

**Offering Last Week:** $42,491.14

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**Est. needed per week:** $22,500.00  
**Received MTD:** $40,251.14  
**Est. needed per month:** $97,500.00

**MEMORIALS:**  
**General:** In memory of Van Durrenberger by Allen & Mildred Perry - $25.00. In memory of Glynda Boren by Sherri & Kevin Coffman - $20.00. In honor of Herb Roebert’s 90th birthday by Martin & Jeannie Werchan - $90.00. In memory of Joyce Bise by M/M Gilbert Krause - $25.00; by the Chris Becker family - $25.00; by Allen & Mildred Perry - $25.00.  
**Quilting Group:** In memory of G.A. Lindner by M/M Delvin Boriack - $20.00. In memory of Joyce Bise by M/M Delvin Boriack - $20.00. **ECC Operating:** In memory of Joyce Bise by Arthur & Dianna Noack - $50.00.  
**School Fund:** In memory of Joyce Bise by Sherri & Kevin Coffman - $20.00; by Bobby & Carolyn Oltmann - $50.00; by Wilbert & Carol Jean Noack - $30.00.  
**Building:** In memory of Joyce Bise by Alton Weiser - $25.00.

**Life Through the Church Year:**

**Pentecost XIV**

Our culture discriminates based on size, skills, and circumstances in order to make abortion and assisted suicide possible. But our Lord and God has a soft spot, a definite preference for the feeble (Ezekiel 34:16), the insignificant (Luke 15:8-10), and the failures (1Timothy 1:15). If it gladdens Him to save such as us, won’t it also enrapture us to advocate the sanctity of every life?
Thank You!
Thank you for all the prayers and support you have offered on behalf of FLHS. As we have just begun another year, we are thankful for each of you who faithfully pray and support the ministry God has created at FLHS. Thank you, on behalf of the students who will be instilled with wisdom as they become faithful leaders tomorrow, for your generous support!

8th Grade Visit Day
8th grade students from our area private schools will be joining us on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 21st. This annual visit event is a great opportunity for future students to see what FLHS is all about and what high school might look like. If you have an 8th grader, and would like to bring them for visit day, please contact Mrs. Nikki Kueck at (979) 242-2889.

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

Oktoberfest
FLHS will be hosting a family friendly event on Saturday, October 22nd at the Holy Cross Picnic grounds. New this year will be - The Battle of the Brew - a home brew competition. Returning will be our traditional German meal, domino tournament, cornhole tournament, music, kids games, and lots of fun!

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 beginning to gather grants for our Oktoberfest event on October 22nd.

Follow Us On Facebook!
With a new school year underway, you may want to see the exciting things happening inside here on a daily basis! By “liking” our Facebook page and “sharing” our posts, you will be in the loop on all the great things happening and you can share them with your friends!
2022-23 School Year Theme – “Won By One” – 1 Corinthians 15:57

From the Principal’s Desk…

As we observe Patriot Day this weekend and remember the tragedy of 9/11/01 (21st anniversary), we give thanks for God’s continued protection amidst a world of sin and threats of terror and war.

Campus Lockdown Drill is schedule for Monday.

Team Sports Photos next Thursday. Remember your uniforms!

Lots of VB & FB Games next week. Check the Calendar of Events for game times and locations.

Have a blessed week in the Lord! – Jim House, Principal

NEWS, NOTES, and HAPPENINGS

LOCKDOWN DRILL… Students and staff will participate in our 2022 School Lockdown Drill on Monday, Sept. 19th at 9:15 AM. The purpose of this drill is to practice the safety precautions that would be taken in the event that an intruder would gain access to our building and present a danger situation to the students and staff. This drill is one more way in which we intend to maintain a safe campus for our school family.

SPIRITWEAR ORDERS DUE… Hey, Voyagers! Did you remember to turn in your 2022 Voyagers Spirit Wear Order Form today? If you forgot, we will still accept orders for shirts and hoodies on Monday, Sept. 12th. Don’t be left out… order your 2022-23 Voyagers Spirit Wear right away!

PICTURE PROOFS… Hey, Voyagers! The School Picture Proofs are ready for your viewing online; flyers outlining instructions on how to access your child’s proof and order pictures came home Friday with your child. Go online to www.mardabbs.com and use your child’s unique login number (included on your child’s proof flyer). Remember, the deadline for your online portrait order is Monday, Sept. 19th.

FALL TEAM SPORTS PHOTO… will be taken next Thursday, Sept. 15th beginning at 12:45 PM. All students participating in flag football, volleyball, & cheerleading, will have team and individual pictures taken in uniform that afternoon. Please remember to bring your uniforms to school that day for the team pictures. More information will be forthcoming about the purchase of team and individual photos. Thank you, Whitney Pasco for taking our photos.
ECC SURVEY...Copies of the ECC Survey were distributed last week (also available on the school website or electronically using the QR code). As we seek to improve our program and determine the future of this important ministry of our church and school, we greatly value your input and thoughts. Please complete your survey today! Deadline for completing the survey is next Friday, Sept. 16th.

VOYAGER ATHLETICS...All 4 teams set action again next week:
- On Monday, Sept 12th, the JV Volleyball and JV Football teams travel to Thorndale for games at 4:30 PM; the Varsity Volleyball and Football teams play at 5:30 PM. Teams are leaving school at 3:00 PM (via parent transportation).
- On Tuesday, Sept. 13th, the JV VB & FP teams host teams from Good Shepherd-Bestrop at 3:00 PM & 4:30 PM in the Serbin gym.
- On Thursday, Sept. 15th, all four teams play home games against 1st Baptist-Caldwell. JVVB and JVFB play at 4:30 PM, Vt. VB and Vt. FB play at 5:00 PM.
Then, next Friday & Saturday, Sept. 16-17, the Varsity VB team will participate in the Giddings Varsity Tournament; games times to be announced later in the week. Check the Calendar of Events for practices and game times each week. And, check the website for future home and away games in September. Plan to come cheer our teams’ efforts this season.

RUNNING CLUB...Our VCR Running Club got off to a great start this week with 25 students participating in the early-morning run! The VCR, led by Mrs. Casey Cianetti, will meet on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:15 AM to promote physical fitness and prepare for the cross country meet in November (11/4). We encourage all students (K-8) to join the Voyagers Club Run. Oh, by the way, parents you’re invited to join us and run, too! Come join us at the Voyager Running Club this fall.

OFFERING PROJECT...Our first 12-weeks Chapel offering project is supporting the Samaritan Purse “Operation Christmas Child” project. To date, we’ve collected $1,397.75 for the project which provides a shoebox gift and the Gospel of Jesus to children around the world at Christmas. Remember your church offerings next Wednesday and contribute generously in support of this worthy project.

We’re also collecting various school supplies for our OCC Shoebox project. We encourage you to bring donations of the following items to the collection cart in the gym: wooden pencils, ink pens (blue or black), crayons (box of 24), colored markers (set of 16), colored pencils, index cards, glue sticks, scotch tape, pink eraser. Thanks for helping make our OCC Shoebox project a success this year!

TRACKY STAMPS ON SALE...Remember to bring your dollars every Wednesday morning to purchase Tracky Stamps. Buying stamps (each stamp costs $1.00) helps the Texas District Church Extension Fund build and support new churches and schools throughout our district. What better way can you begin the lifelong habit of saving and support the spread of the Gospel, too? Buy your stamps next week!

EASY FUND RAISERS...Keep saving those Coke Rewards bottle caps and “Slip & Scarf” product codes, General Mills “Box Tops for Education”, and Tyson Project A+ labels for St. Paul Lutheran. Collectible items can be brought to the school office each week. Your yearlong support of our “Easy Fund Raisers” is greatly appreciated!

HAVE A GREAT WEEK!...Thank you to all the SPS dads who attended “Dads With Dads” this morning. I hope you enjoyed the light breakfast and great fellowship with your kids and other fathers. If I can be of any service to you throughout the year, feel free to stop by my office or call for an appointment.

Your partner in Christ,
James L. House, Principal

"Won By One"