



## There's a Place for You at St. Paul's!



### *Pastor's Report*

As I write this, we have just received our ashes on Ash Wednesday two days ago. But why do we let ashes (mixed with olive oil) be smeared on our foreheads?

Ash Wednesday falls on the first day of Lent, a six-week period of repentance and self-denial meant to remind us of Jesus' forty days of fasting in the desert. The ashes symbolize both death and repentance, and during this period, we are to show repentance and mourning for our sins, because Christ died for us. The tradition has its origins in the Old Testament where sinners performed acts of public penance. When we receive our ashes, we are told to "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Ash Wednesday begins our Lenten journey. Many Christians practice the discipline of fasting during Lent by giving up some small pleasure, like chocolate or coffee. It can be a nice way to remind us throughout Lent that it is Lent. Because it isn't commanded in Holy Scripture, the practice is not obligatory for Lutherans. However, the practice is not unknown among Lutherans.

Giving up something for Lent isn't meant to please God or gain God's favor. Nor can such a small denial make Lent more meaningful or increase faith. It is simply an attempt to keep us mindful throughout the day that it is Lent. That is a valid Christian desire and discipline. Curbing the flesh is always good. Cutting calories is probably appropriate for almost everyone reading this, and (though I hate to admit it) cutting caffeine wouldn't probably hurt a few of us either.

But Lent isn't ultimately about giving things up. Its purpose is not self-improvement in the conventional sense. Instead, Lent is a season of preparation. We are preparing to celebrate Easter, and the church is always prepared in the same way: by repentance. Lent is a time for adding things that increase awareness of God's mercy in Christ Jesus. Luther said, "Lent, Palm Sunday, and Holy Week shall be retained, not to force anyone to fast, but to preserve the Passion history and the gospels appointed for that season."

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True repentance is not simply feeling sorry, and it certainly isn't an emotional frenzy of despair. Nor is it merely an outward discipline for the world to see. True repentance means turning away from sin in sorrow and also turning toward God in joy. True repentance is *faith*. Faith trusts in Christ to give forgiveness. Judas was not truly repentant. He was only remorseful. He did not think he could be forgiven. He did not trust Jesus to love him. Peter was repentant. He was more than remorseful. He was sorry for his sins and ashamed of what he had done, but even more than this, he trusted in Christ to be merciful.

Lent is not so much a time of "giving things up" as it is a time for adding things that increase our awareness of God's mercy in Christ Jesus. When Lent leads us to repentance, it isn't to make us sad or to somehow get God's attention. It is to strengthen our faith. Part of that strengthening includes an increased awareness of our great need. But that is not the real mark or purpose of Lent. For Lent also includes, and is mostly focused on, the solution to that need: the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for our redemption.

So, if you're looking for something to give up this Lent, I suggest you give up a few hours each Sunday and go to Church. Go for the joy of hearing God's Word and receiving God's gifts. There, by the means of Grace, repentance is educated and edified, and faith is fed. That is what Lent is meant for.

Pastor Mary Lou

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## Ash Wednesday Service

On February 14<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday was celebrated at St. Paul's with a beautiful and solemn service.



## Council Corner

**Louise Griffith,  
President**



As many of you know, who have served on the Church Council, much of our time is spent reviewing the “numbers” each month. We have started to include the chart from the Treasurer’s report in the newsletter, but I also wanted to include the numbers in my article.

## President’s Report

This article is dedicated to communicating the actions, decisions, and future action items of the Church Council. It is intended to give the congregation the highlights of the Church Council meeting.

At the end of January 2024:

	January 2024	Total Year-to-Date
Total General Fund Income	\$12,776.64	\$109,183.66
Total General Fund Expenses	\$17,201.17	\$105,611.81
Difference	-\$4,424.53	\$3,571.85

In January, the church Council moved their meeting to the third Wednesday of each month until June. Our meetings will be on March 21<sup>st</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup>, and May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

We are still waiting for the Carson City School District for an update on the survey and appraisal of the back two (2) acres of the property.

Council is also spending about 30 minutes each meeting reviewing the Bylaws and proposing updates as needed. The Church Council is hoping to present the changes to the congregation at the annual meeting in June.

Nights Off The Streets (NOTS), who has been providing shelter to the homeless during February, asked if they could extend their use of our fellowship hall until March 18<sup>th</sup>. St. Peter’s Episcopal would normally provide shelter during March; however, the numbers of individuals who need shelter exceed St. Peter’s building limits. The Church Council unanimously decided to grant the request. Carpet cleaning will be provided by NOTS at the end of their stay.

Some volunteer tasks in our church are a lot of fun and meaningful. Many of our fellowship activities, involvement in the children or youth group events, providing special gifts to those in need at Christmas, volunteering for worship service, singing in the choir, and many other activities are just a few events where smiles abound. Some are not so fun but are just as meaningful to the life of the church. Namely, being a volunteer to the Church Council. Once again, we need three (3) volunteers to fill the seats of the three volunteers who are retiring in June. In many ways, the Church Council is a vital ministry at St. Paul’s. Its goal is to conduct the business of St. Paul’s and bring the concerns of the congregation to the Council’s attention for possible action and resolution. We monitor the finances of the church, support staff in their ministry among us, and most importantly, seek God’s will for the continued ministry of St. Paul’s. Is it glamorous, no...Is it meaningful, yes! The requirement is attending monthly meetings, actively listening to the concerns of the congregation, support staff, and volunteers as needed, and being a resource to the life pulse of St. Paul’s. The term of a council member is three (3) years. You must be a member of St. Paul’s, and your gifts and talents would be welcomed. Currently, Ken Beaton, Nikki Rohrs, and Nakita Jones are on the nominating committee. If you would like to serve on the Church Council, please talk to one of them, or feel free to contact me.

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Another short-term group that is looking for congregation involvement is the Finance Committee. Plans are being made to prepare a proposed budget to be voted on in June at the Annual Meeting. The Finance Committee usually meets one or two times. If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact Sharon Gesick.

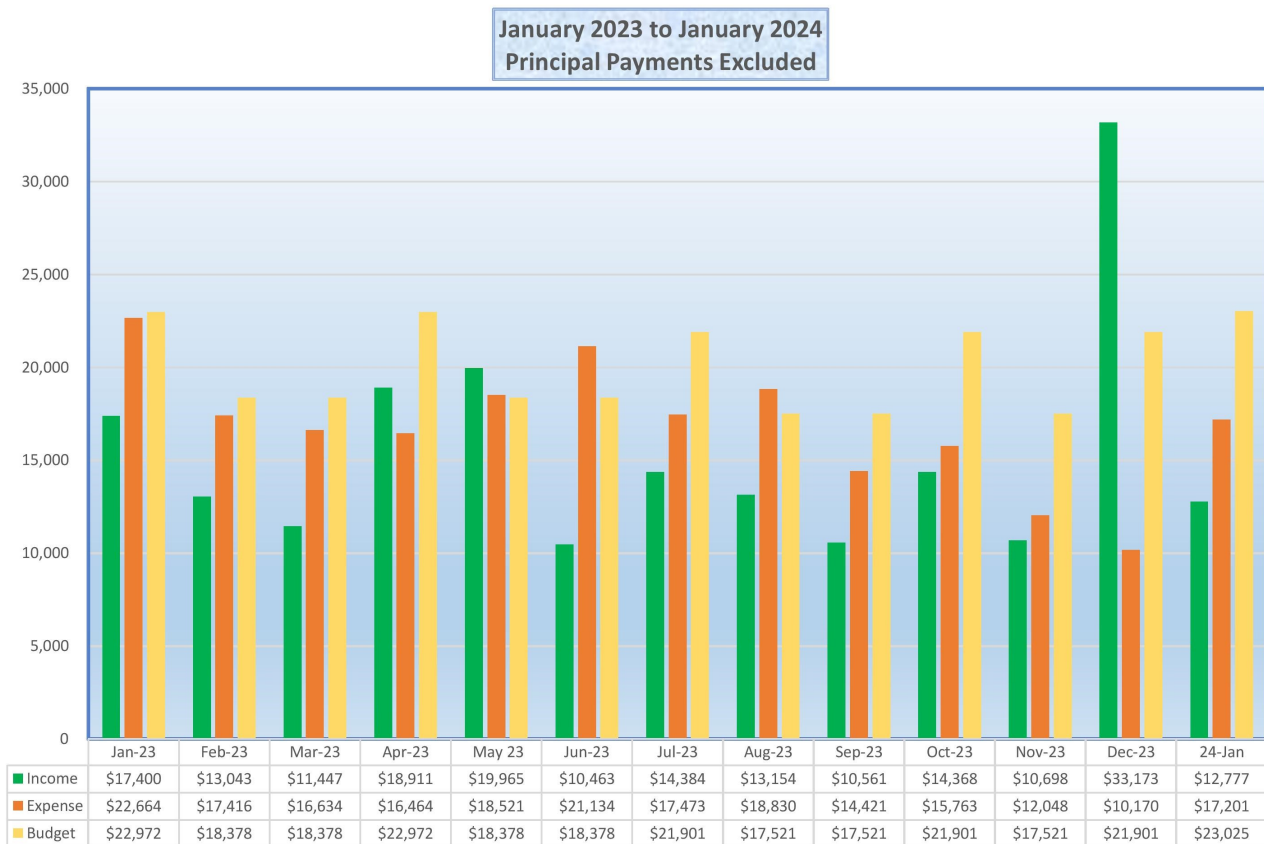
We are entering an exciting time at St. Paul's. It almost feels like parents waiting for a new baby to arrive. We are waiting for our new pastor to come to us. Who will it be? What will they be like? What new ministry will be discovered? What new challenges will we face? What does God have planned for us and our new pastor? I hope you are as excited as I am as we continue to discern, look, and discover what God wants for St. Paul's.

I ask the congregation to unite in prayer each night at 8:00 p.m.

*Loving God, be with us and guide us during this time of discernment. Fill our leaders with your wisdom. Keep us mindful of the work you would have us do. Lead us and guide us, O Lord, to be about the work of your kingdom even as the search for a new pastor continues. Bless all who have taken on extra responsibility and fill them with a sense of your love and presence. We pray in your Son's name, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Louise Griffith, President  
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### Treasurer's Report: Income, Expenses and Budgets Chart



# Servants Serving

## Altar Guild for March

Vicki Hamilton and Brita Steyn

## Greeters

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McPhail  
March 10<sup>th</sup> Nikki Rohrs  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Louise and Greg Griffith  
March 24<sup>th</sup> Mary De Felice  
March 31<sup>st</sup> Charlotte LaCombe

## Readers

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Jay Olshen  
March 10<sup>th</sup> Linda Wilson  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Vera Logie  
March 24<sup>th</sup> Steve Ranson  
March 31<sup>st</sup> Kim Neiman

## Ushers

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Deanna Fine and Jean Opperman  
March 10<sup>th</sup> Deanna Fine and Dave Harrell  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Kim Neiman and Jean Opperman  
March 24<sup>th</sup> Kim Neiman and Jean Opperman  
March 31<sup>st</sup> Jean Opperman and Dave Harrell

## Musicians

Dave Lingsjo,  
Principle Musician  
Vicki Hamilton, Organist  
Carol Arneson, Choir Director

## Live-streaming Team

Holly McPhail and Nick Cotsonis

## Acolytes

Clay Woslum and Greg Griffith

## Youth Acolytes – TBA

## Coffee Guru

Jean Opperman

## Communion Assistants

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Jay Olshen  
March 10<sup>th</sup> TBA  
March 17<sup>th</sup> TBA  
March 24<sup>th</sup> Charlotte LaCombe  
March 31<sup>st</sup> Nick Cotsonis

## Counters

March 3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McPhail and Dick Lowther  
March 10<sup>th</sup> Deanna Fine and Greg Griffith  
March 17<sup>th</sup> Judy McPhail and  
Dorothea Phelan  
March 24<sup>th</sup> Carol Arneson and Shirley Rickard  
March 31<sup>st</sup> Jean Opperman and  
Mary DeFelice

## Ministry Leaders

Altar Guild: Vicki Hamilton  
Greeters: Ruth Fitzgerald  
Readers: Judy McPhail  
Counters: Mary DeFelice  
Communion Assistants: Judy McPhail  
Youth Acolytes: Traci Angel

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## Differences in Lent Between Catholics and Lutherans By Michael Brenner

Along with many similarities, Catholics and Lutherans have interesting differences in their Lenten practices. The Lutheran Church split from the Catholic Church in the 16th Century, preaching the primacy of the Bible and salvation by faith alone. The Lutheran and Catholic churches remain close in doctrine, however, and Lent is in the liturgy of both churches. The main difference between the churches is Lent's authority; for Catholics, Lent is a Sacred Tradition while those in the Lutheran faith observe it as a voluntary, non-Scriptural activity.

### Season of Lent

In both churches, Lent is the period between Ash Wednesday and Easter, the holiest day of the year that marks the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The period is marked by solemnity and contemplation. Catholics typically fast and sacrifice certain things during this time in preparation for Easter. The word "alleluia," which is a joyful exclamation, is taken out of the liturgy of both churches during this period. In some regions, Lent is preceded by unscriptural festivals, such as the widely known celebration of Mardi Gras in New Orleans and the popular Carnival in Brazil that are held on the day before Ash Wednesday when Lent commences.

### Lent in the Catechism

The Catholic Catechism, which is an official summary of Catholic beliefs, compares the 40 days of Lent to the 40 days in which Jesus was tested in the desert. The Catechism views Lent as an opportunity for believers to work on their spiritual lives. Lent is particularly appropriate for engaging in spiritual exercises, penitence, pilgrimages, fasting, alms giving, charity and missionary work. The Catholic Church continues to emphasize Friday, in particular, as a time for fasting, abstaining from meat and self-denial.

### Lent in the Book of Concord

The Book of Concord contains the Lutheran Confessions, which are the doctrinal statements of the Lutheran Church. The articles were presented to Catholic theologians in 1530 to explain the beliefs of Lutherans. The word "Lent" is only mentioned one time in the Book of Concord -- in the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, Article XV part 42 -- and it emphasizes giving sermons year-round instead of just during Lent. In the Lutheran faith, much emphasis is given to scripture and liturgy during the Lenten season. Acts of grace, such as helping the elderly, are also encouraged.

### Major Differences

For Catholics, Lent is an obligatory Sacred Tradition. For Lutherans, who do not hold anything holy outside of Scripture, the season of Lent is observed, but fasting and penance are not viewed as compulsory. Therefore, Lutherans may voluntarily choose to fast during Lent, whereas Catholics are expected to do so. Theologian Martin Luther wanted to retain Lenten observation because it reminds Christians of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross for human sin. Aside from Lent's authority, most differences between the two churches are cultural. Catholics often refrain from eating meat on Friday during Lent, but this is not common among Lutherans. Also, Catholics put more emphasis on the Lenten tradition of reciting the Stations of the Cross that depict the suffering of Jesus in the hours preceding his crucifixion.





## THE RESURRECTION OF CHRISTIANS IN THE LUTHER CONFESIONS

By Rev. Travis Berg

The resurrection of the body is the culmination of the Holy Spirit's work. The Large Catechism's explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed points this out clearly: "I believe that the Holy Spirit makes me holy... By the Christian Church, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting." [1] In this life, we need the church, where our sins are daily and richly forgiven for the sake of Christ. The Holy Spirit crucifies the Old Adam and the body of sin every day of our lives by daily contrition and repentance. Every day the Paraclete raises up the new man in us by the Word of the Gospel.

But at our temporal death, we are freed from sin. This is where God does His great work of separating our nature from original sin, that deep corruption which infects all our powers and faculties. This is why the resurrection is not only a very comforting teaching for Christians, but it also reminds us that we are not as God originally

created us. Death is not a sloughing off of the flesh. The body is not an old coat which can be tossed after use. God created us body and soul. The Son redeemed both body and soul with His blood. The Spirit sanctified both body and soul by the Gospel. And, on the Last Day, our bodies and souls shall be reunited to live immortal, imperishable lives in bliss forever. The resurrection of the dead is one of the neglected portions of the Apostles' Creed.

Even though we recite it often, indeed, every day, many people only think of the interim state when they think of heaven. Unfortunately, by doing so they are missing out on the inexpressible, glorious hope which we have. Just as Christ has been raised from the dead, we too shall be raised to new life. Luther continues in the Large Catechism: "We will come forth gloriously and arise in a new, eternal life of entire and perfect holiness." [2] In this life, we are growing in sanctification, but we must still contend with the corruption in our nature. But, in the resurrection of the body, there will be no more forgiveness because there will be no more sin. And that will be a glorious day for all believers in Christ: "We will be full of godliness and righteousness, removed and free from sin, death, and all evil, in a new, immortal, and glorified body." [3] One day, our struggle against sin, death, and the power of the devil will be over. We will no longer be soldiers of Christ, fighting against the infernal foe, but we shall shine like the stars in the firmament, at peace for all time.

The resurrection of Christ teaches us many things. It shows us that He truly is the Son of God, that His work of redemption is complete and sufficient, and that His words and His works are utterly divine and true. But Christ's resurrection also teaches us that He has destroyed death by death and has removed the debt of sin which we owe. And because we are in Christ, we too shall never see death, as He promised. Our lives are hidden with Christ in God, and on the Last Day, we will see Him face to face, because we shall be as He is. Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

*The Rev. Travis Berg is pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Latimer, Iowa.*



## Why Does Easter Change Dates? Here's How the Date Is Determined.

With the annual change from April to March and back again, it's not always easy to keep track of the Easter date. Unlike Christmas and Valentine's Day, the date of Easter changes every year. It can be as early as March 22<sup>nd</sup> or as late as April 25<sup>th</sup>. It comes early this year, falling on the last Sunday of the month, March 31<sup>st</sup>. This is 10 days earlier than last year's April 9<sup>th</sup> date. Next year, Easter is back to the month of April, falling much later than the past two years on April 20, 2025. Of course, this also means that the beginning of Lent and Ash Wednesday change dates every year, too.

You may find yourself wondering why exactly the date of Easter changes annually like Thanksgiving Day, instead of being set in stone like other holidays. After all, the Fourth of July is always on July 4<sup>th</sup> and Halloween always comes on October 31<sup>st</sup>, too. Most Christians know Ash Wednesday's date depends on Easter, but wouldn't it be much simpler (and easier to remember) if Jesus Christ's resurrection were celebrated on a set day, the way other holidays like Christmas and Valentine's Day are observed? But it's not, and here's a look at why that's the case.

Ash Wednesday signals the 40-day period leading up to Easter, called Lent. But what does Ash Wednesday mean?

The holiday stems from the Old Testament book of Daniel that associated fasting with ashes, according to priest and Duke Divinity School assistant professor Lauren F. Winner. Its main ritual involves a priest invoking Genesis 3:19 ("...for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.") while anointing congregants' foreheads with a mix of ash from Palm Sunday—itsself derived from the story of Christ's route to Jerusalem being padded by palm fronds—and sometimes oil. Lent is an acknowledgment of the 40 days the Bible says Christ spent in the wilderness.

Because Ash Wednesday kicks off the Lenten season, its date is always exactly 46 days before Easter (40 days of Lent, plus six, as each Sunday is skipped) and thus is affected directly by what date Easter falls on that year. This year, Ash Wednesday fell on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> (Valentine's Day!).

Which brings us to our central question: Why is Easter on a different date each year? And why is it on March 31, 2024 this year, which is earlier than last year and the year before? The holiday, which celebrates Christ's resurrection from the grave following his crucifixion, can occur any Sunday between March 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 25<sup>th</sup>. (That's a pretty wide range!)

Easter's exact date varies so much because it actually depends on the moon. The holiday is set to coincide with the first Sunday after the Paschal Full Moon, the first full moon after the vernal equinox. Though the equinox's exact date can vary each year according to the *Old Farmer's Almanac*, the church always recognizes the vernal equinox as March 21<sup>st</sup>.

So, why does Easter come after the Paschal Full Moon? Early Christians wanted Easter to coincide with Passover, because Christ's death and resurrection happened after the Jewish holiday, writes Christian minister Mary Fairchild on [LearnReligions.com](https://www.learnreligions.com). Because the Jewish calendar is tied to solar and lunar cycles, the dates of Passover and Easter fluctuate each year.

Maria Carter

<https://www.countryliving.com/life/a46407/why-does-easter-change-dates/>



March or April?





## St. Patrick and the Shamrock

The shamrock, the emblem synonymous with St. Patrick, has a very long and colorful tradition. It means many things to different people and can evoke messages relating to national pride, religion, history, celebration, etc. In horticultural terms what is a shamrock, and why do the Irish wear it on St. Patrick's Day?

The shamrock, Seamóg or Seamair Óg, Irish for a young clover can be found growing wild throughout Ireland. It is worn on the feast day of St. Patrick, March 17<sup>th</sup>, to represent a link with St. Patrick, the Bishop who spread the Christian message in Ireland.

It is said St. Patrick used the three-leaf shamrock to explain the concept of the Holy Trinity, (the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), to the pagan Irish during the 5<sup>th</sup> Century. The tradition of wearing the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day can be traced back to the early 1700's.

Irish research in the late 1980's highlighted several plants that were traditionally considered to be shamrocks. The plant most widely considered to represent the shamrock was *Trifolium Dubium* (the lesser clover, Seamair Bhuí). Other plants that were used as shamrocks included *Trifolium Repens* (White Clover, Seamair Bhán), *Trifolium Pratense* (Red Clover, Seamair Dhearg) and *Oxalis Acetosella* (Wood Sorrel, Seamóg).

**Protestant Irish celebrate St. Patrick's Day similarly to their Catholic counterparts with festivities like parades, wearing green attire, and enjoying traditional Irish food and music. The celebrations often focus on Irish culture and heritage rather than religious differences.**

### Irish Soda Bread

#### Ingredients

4 cups all-purpose flour (16 ounces)  
1 teaspoon fine sea salt  
1/2 teaspoon baking soda  
1 1/2 to 2 cups buttermilk, shaken  
Good butter

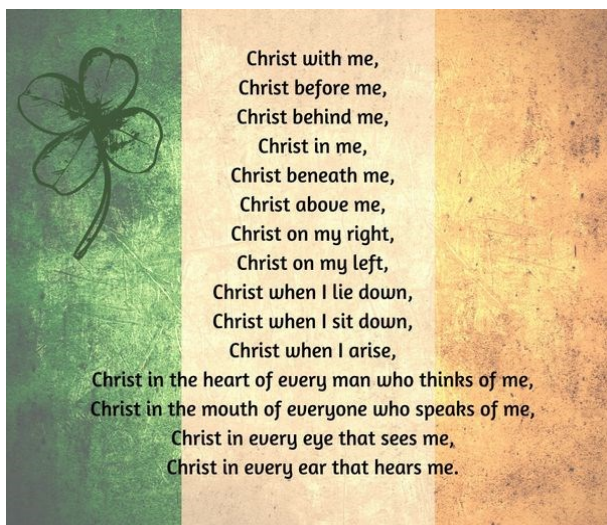


Preheat the oven to 400°F and line a sheet pan with parchment paper. In a large bowl, whisk together the flour, salt, and baking soda until well combined. Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and pour in 1 1/2 cups buttermilk.

Using your hands or a wooden spoon, mix the ingredients until a loose dough forms. You're looking for a dough that's soft but not overly sticky or wet, and that holds together enough to make a loaf that can hold its shape on the sheet pan. If the dough is dry and crumbly, add up to 1/2 cup additional buttermilk, a tablespoon or so at a time, until it comes together.

When the dough is just mixed together — no streaks of flour or buttermilk — transfer it to the parchment-lined sheet pan. Using your hands, form the dough into a round that's roughly 8 inches in diameter. Using a paring knife, cut a large "X" across the top of the loaf.

Bake until soda bread is nicely browned and sounds hollow when tapped on the bottom of the loaf, about 45 minutes. Let cool on the baking sheet until just warm, then slice and eat with good butter. To store, wrap in a slightly damp tea towel to prevent the crust from getting too hard and keep on the counter.

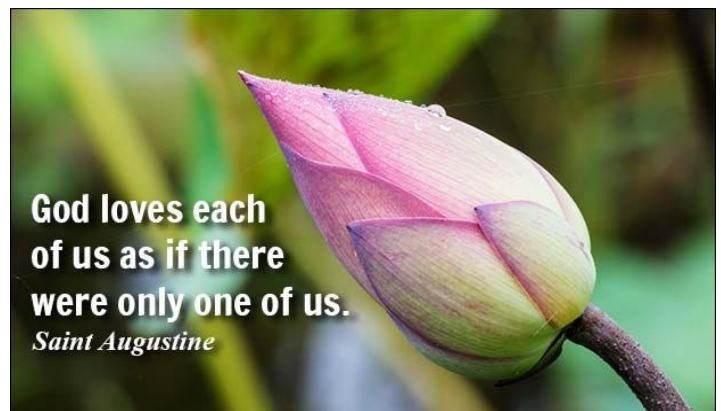
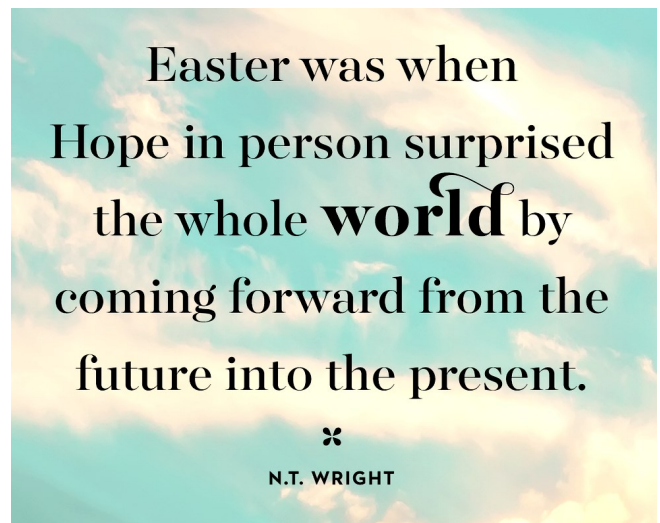
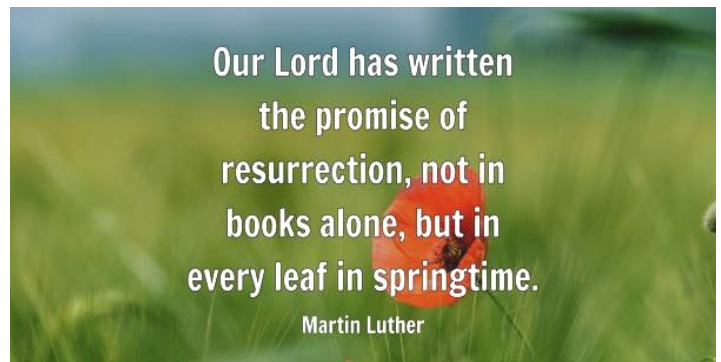


*Happy St. Patrick's Day!*

## Celebrate March Birthdays



- 2 Richard Lowther
- 3 Kim Neiman
- 4 Dennis Yeskie
- 5 Michelle Stevens
- 6 Sarah Jevne
- 6 Lin Nary
- 7 Nicholas Little
- 7 Fred Steinle
- 9 Nicholas Gesick
- 12 William Cullen
- 14 Susie Anderson
- 15 Ellen Harrell
- 21 Matthew Hamilton
- 21 Dee Sherman
- 24 Jeanne Russell
- 31 Ken Beaton
- 31 John Fischer
- 31 Amanda Castillo



**St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal** is held each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. We usually rehearse for about an hour. So, if you like to sing and can spare some time on a Wednesday evening, please come join us. Any change in schedule will be announced. Thank you!  
Carol Arneson





**Worship services are held each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.**

Our worship service is live-streamed via YouTube.

Directions for YouTube: Copy and paste this link into your web browser:

<https://www.youtube.com/@st.paulslutheranfamily7828>



The link will take you to St. Paul's YouTube channel where you can watch the live service.

To watch recorded services, click on "Playlist" and then choose the Sunday service/video you want to watch.



**FIREFIGHTERS/PEACE OFFICERS**

Andy Steyn, Brian Hillenbrand, Tina Sherman, Mark Dickens, John Gould, Michael Gould, and Jason Wildblood.

**SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES**

Raelynn Norman (niece of Judy McPhail), Matthew Russell (nephew of Judy McPhail), Brandon Luterick, Heather Joyner (Johnson), Peter Elverum, Sarah McGee, Bryce Stimka, Olivia Lesperance, John Duffy (nephew of Sharon and Tom Gesick), and Justin Snowden.



Help people in our community, our country, and the world who have been impacted by poverty, war, political instability, hunger, disease, and weather disasters.

<https://worldrelief.org/>

**Please don't forget the people and animals of Ukraine!**

You can help with humanitarian aid via:

<https://www.lutheranworld.org>

<https://rolda.org/breaking-news-ukraine>



**STITCHERS** meet in Friendship Hall the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

**No experience is necessary!**



**BIBLE STUDY**

**WELCA Bible Study** meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Please join this wonderful group!

**Ushers Are Still Needed!**

The Usher Ministry is in desperate need of ushers for Sunday services.

If you are interested in volunteering for this important position, please call Dave Harrell at 775 315-4661 or email him at [davidharrell93@yahoo.com](mailto:davidharrell93@yahoo.com).



# Rummage Sale Help Needed

St. Paul's Lutheran Family  
Day of Sale: April 27 8:00am to 1:30pm



## ***Volunteers Needed for Set Up & Pricing***

Please contact Joan Schultz for hourly shift availability.

775-883-6833 or cc.jfran@yahoo.com

Tuesday 4-23 thru Friday 4-26 8am to 5pm.

## ***Gently used and clean items Needed:***

Books, Games, Plants, Jewelry, Clothing, Houseswares, Dishes, Tools,  
Boutique/Collectibles, Paintings, Electronics, Flat screen TV's,

***Small Furniture only.***

Contact Sandy Danforth 775-882-2665 with furniture questions.

## ***Item Drop Off Dates and Times***

Monday 4-22 1pm to 5pm

Tuesday 4-23 8am to 5pm

Wednesday 4-24 8am to **NO later then 5pm!**

## ***We Are In Need of Folding Tables to Use for the Sale***

Contact Hope Chowanski 775-230-3131 or smtnktns@hotmail.com

Make sure your name and phone # are on the bottom of the table(s)

**Thank you!**



All youth who are in the 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join the youth group!  
We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the service.  
If you know anyone who is interested or has any questions,  
please call Traci Angel at 775 721-5495.

## Easter Sunday is just about here!

### Annual Pancake Breakfast

The youth will host their Annual Pancake Breakfast on Easter Sunday right after the worship service. The menu will be pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, tea, and, of course, coffee!

We hope that you will bring your appetites for the **BEST** pancakes around!

We look forward to serving you! **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

If you should have any questions, please give Traci a call or text at 775 721-5495.



### Easter Egg Hunt

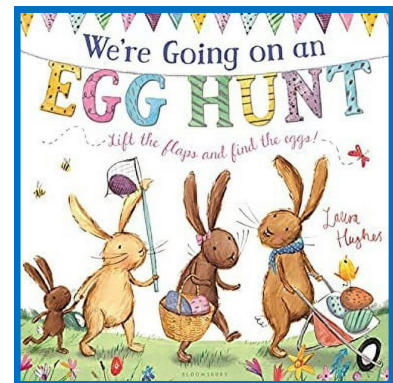
The youth will host the Annual Easter Egg Hunt starting around 10:30 a.m.

The HUNT will be conducted during breakfast!

Come and enjoy the service, eat some amazing pancakes, and then find some cool, filled eggs!

It's the perfect way to celebrate the day!

The hunt will be outside in our beautiful garden (weather permitting).



### Looking for a Little Help

The youth need help with supplies. We need candy or small toys that fit into the eggs. We have the eggs; we just need the goodies to fill them! The youth will be preparing the eggs for the big hunt in the coming weeks. If you can donate, we will have a basket out in the narthex beginning Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions, please ask Traci.

### Youth Group Easter Egg Hunt for the Big Kids

Never fear! We will have a fun youth group egg hunt (just for the big kids). If you would like to donate anything for the Night Glow Egg Hunt, please let us know.

### Easter Bunny

The youth and a friend or two will be hopping around in March! Keep a look out! ~ Traci Angel

Youth Group Posters created by Traci Angel



**Please join the  
Youth for**

# **Easter Pancake Breakfast**

Served with all you can eat pancakes,  
sausage, eggs, fruit, juice, and coffee.

**March 31st  
10:00am**

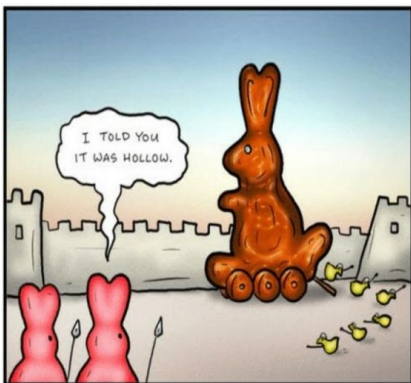
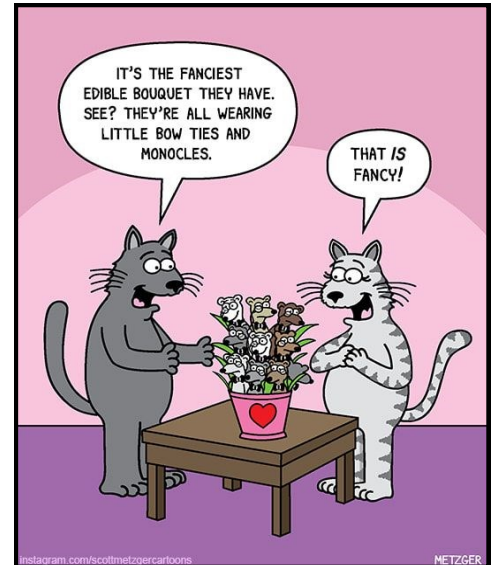
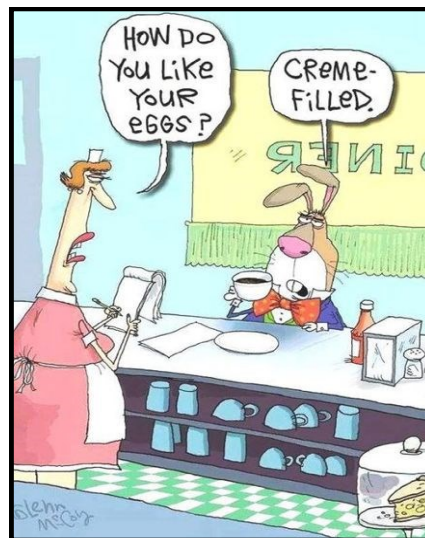
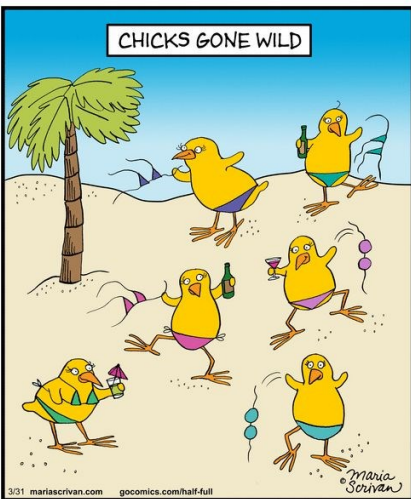
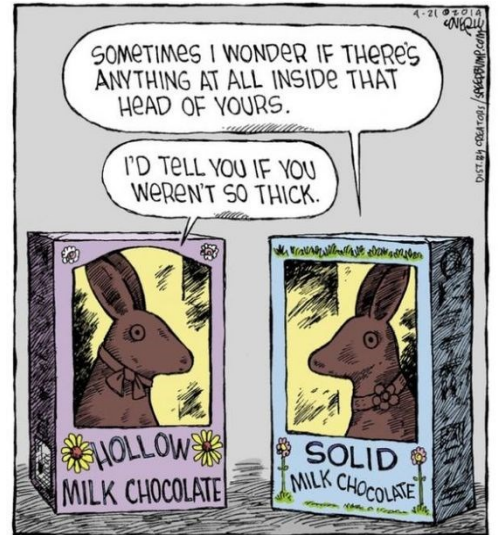
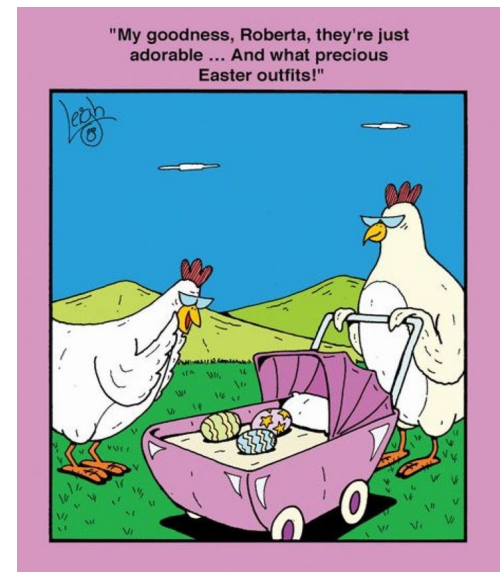
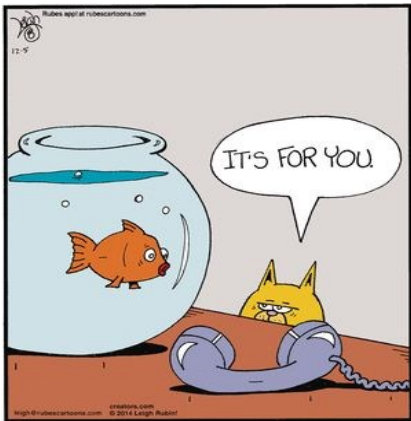
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The Trojan Easter Bunny





**Sundays**

Youth Group 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays after worship  
NA, 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**St. Patrick's Day**

**March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**Easter Sunday**  
Youth Group Pancake breakfast after the  
service  
**Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Palm Sunday**

**Tuesdays**  
Confirmation Class, 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
WELCA Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Stitchers, 9:00 a.m. to noon, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays  
of each month

**March 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**First day of spring**



**Wednesdays**  
Choir practice, 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

**Thursdays**  
Strings Practice, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Executive Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

**Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Good Friday



Worship services are held  
every Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

**This Month's Worship Schedule:**

March 3<sup>rd</sup> March 10<sup>th</sup> March 17<sup>th</sup>  
March 24<sup>th</sup> March 31<sup>st</sup>

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**Palm Sunday**

**March 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Maundy Thursday**

**Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**Good Friday**

**Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**Easter Sunday**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

Our office assistant is in the  
church office  
**Monday, Wednesday,  
and Friday**  
from **9:00 a.m. to noon.**



Please note:  
St. Paul's will continue to host NOTS guests  
until March 18<sup>th</sup>.

