



A Dynamic Tapestry: Biblical Faces Woven into our Daily Lives Paul: Called to Go

July 5, 2026

Acts 13:2-4, 13 (NIV)

While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went. From Paphos, Paul and his companions sailed to Perga in Pamphylia, where John left them to return to Jerusalem.

1 Timothy 4:16-17 (NIV)

[Paul writes to Timothy:] At my first defense, no one came to my support, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them. But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it.

Message Notes:

Paul: Called to Go!

1. Centered in Worship
2. Called to Mentor and be Mentored
3. Persevering in Faith

Food for Thought

Tell about a time when, during worship, God nudged you in particular direction. Maybe it was sensing a call to a direction in life, or sensing a way forward in a dilemma you were dealing with in life, or calling you to make a particular difference in the world.

Tell about someone who has been an important mentor in your life. What did they do that was so significant? Tell about someone that you were able to mentor. You may formally have been called a mentor, or, more likely, it was an informal way that you were able to influence their faith for good.

When things are hard, what have been some keys for you in persevering? How does God meet you in tough times?

STILL WATERS exists to **FIND** the lost, **RELEASE** the captive and **DEVELOP** disciples of Jesus

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Worship Hours: Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-2pm

Happy Birthday!

July 5 Curt Carter, Stephanie Schmidt
July 6 Raiden Carter, Dave Pechacek
July 7 Cody Miles
July 8 Jerry Dhein, Judy Stellmacher, Dennis Thornton
July 11 Harriet Koskovich, Jennie Lepien

Happy Anniversary!

July 6 Nathan & Heidi Gugliotti

	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Communion</u>
<u>Sunday</u> <u>9am</u>	Jan Giza & Diana Schoen	The Flechner Family	Al Helsell & Jan Giza Mary Helsell & Youth
<u>10:30am</u>	Kelly & Vicki Passineau	Pat Swanstorm Valerie Jacobson	Guy Hoppe & Linda Kleinhans Kelly & Vicki Passineau

Church Website



Online Giving



Good morning, Still Waters family! Prayers you are staying cool in this crazy heat. Whew! Also, Happy 4th of July! Prayers for safety, celebration, and continued commitment to be a part of positive change in our relationships, our community, this country, and in our world! We have much to be thankful for, but we also may feel a tug to be a part of good change in our world. In fact, this weekend, we'll look at the Biblical character of Paul as we continue our series, "A Dynamic Tapestry," looking at the beautiful tapestry God is weaving with all of our stories. This weekend as we think about how Paul was called to go on a mission in this world, we'll consider the framework for understanding God's calling *us* to mission! I'll also share an awesome story from my Greece trip, and how we experienced God's interweaving of stories even there! I look forward to seeing you this weekend in worship!

A few notes about the upcoming opportunities, this week and beyond:

Feeding America

Join us on **Wednesday, July 8** (always the 2nd Wednesday of the month) at **1:00 p.m.** for this very important ministry to distribute food to those who are food insecure. On-the-job training is always available; we often have new volunteers each month, so no worries if it's your first time. We'd love to welcome you!

Prayer & Paddle at Pike Lake

Prayer & Paddle has begun! We'll be at Pike Lake State Park, 3544 Kettle Moraine Road, Hartford, WI 53027. Come to the beach! Join us for a summer evening of fellowship, a brief devotion, prayer, and time on the water as we enjoy the beauty of God's creation together. We will gather at 6:00 PM and conclude around sunset. You may also sign up on the connection card or online. **Prayer and Paddle Future Dates will be: July 8, 22, August 12, 19, 26.** *"Be still, and know that I am God."* *Psalms 46:10*

Walk 'n Connect

Walk 'n Connect is BACK! We are excited to start up again our Walk 'n Connect ministry! Join us on **Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.** at church. (Note, we have changed this from Tuesdays to Thursdays!) Weather permitting, we will begin with a walk around our property outside, otherwise we'll walk inside. Then, after our walk, We will be guided through time of connecting with each other and God using the "Prayers from Iona" resource. Open your day with friends, community, connection, and God! See Robin Olson or Pastor Lori for details. Sign up on the Connection Card or online.

Honduras Intergenerational Mission Trip July 11-18, 2026

We continue to be so excited for our mission trip to Honduras, July 11–18, 2026! You are invited to come to Honduras, OR you can participate in the mission from home! Our mission this year is two-fold. If you come to Honduras, you will choose to be in either an **Education or Medical Focus Group**. No specific training or experience needed for either group. We also need people to be a part of the back home support group. Examples of how you can help from Wisconsin include being part of the VBS planning or sponsoring medical costs. As a **full team in country**, we'll spend time together worshipping, eating, laughing and experiencing Christ's amazing presence on the mission field. We can't wait to serve together!

Christmas in July begins July 12!

Christmas in July is about to happen, **beginning July 12!** It's hard to believe but the Christmas season is just 6 months away! The Christmas Store Leadership Team has been busy planning for this year's event which will be on Saturday, December 5th. (the first Saturday in December) The mission of the Christmas Store is to provide families with a HAND-UP as they celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. These families come to church, enjoy breakfast together, take a family photo and then, while

the children are playing and involved in different activities, the parents and a personal shopper start picking out gifts. All prices are greatly reduced so that the families can afford them. Last year, 36 families participated in our Christmas Store... and over 100 children received gifts that their parents were able to provide for them.... with our help.

This is a major outreach that our church does each year. To be successful, it takes a lot of people working together. There is a place for you to help too if you're interested! There are volunteer opportunities for before, during and after the event. In addition, we need financial support. Any amount you can donate will go directly to funding this mission project. And, perhaps most importantly, we need prayer support. Please make checks payable to Still Waters Church and put "Christmas Store" in the memo. Also, the Christmas Store is looking for donations of gently used children's books, new coloring books/crayons, and new activity books (like for math or spelling, word finds, etc). These items will go on the Free Table at the Christmas Store. We also need a variety of gift bags to be used in the wrapping rooms. There will be a bin for donated items in the lobby starting July 12th. Thank you in advance for supporting this important event!

"Christmas in July" is our time to begin significant preparations for this Still Waters signature ministry. To sign up to be a part of this great mission project, beginning the weekend of July 12th, see the bulletin insert, visit the Christmas in July table between services or sign up online. On the table in the lobby is a list of volunteer opportunities. Pick one up today and start thinking about how YOU can be a part of this great mission. All are welcome to help share God's love as we Find the Lost, Release the Captive, and Develop Disciples of Jesus.

Men's Breakfast, Wednesday, July 15, 8:30 a.m.

Men are invited to this monthly men's breakfast, 3rd Wednesday at 8:30 a.m., meeting at a local restaurant (which switches from month to month). Contact John Haas at jxhaas@yahoo.com or 262-617-7004 to sign up for this month's breakfast! (John calls the restaurant to make a reservation, so please contact him by Tuesday, June 16.)

Family Support Group

This group is a support group for people who have loved ones affected with addiction(s). Meeting the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. here at Still Waters Church, it is a casual gathering to share experiences, thoughts, and feelings with others in your situation. **Next meeting is, tonight, July 16, 5:00 p.m.** Come as you are and when you can. See Ron or Ann Naab with questions.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) Serve Day

Would you like to experience the privilege of being a part of the behind the scenes preparation for Vacation Bible School? On Sunday, July 19, from 12:00pm - 2:00 p.m. we will meet in the church sanctuary to get the church ready for Vacation Bible School by decorating! Please contact Lisa Paulson or Vicki Passineau for details or sign up online or on the Connection Card to indicate your plans to be there!

Vacation Bible School

It's time to start thinking about Vacation Bible School! Calling all children, going into 3K - 5th grade! Our theme this year is Kingdom Quest and we'll be discovering what it means to live in the kingdom of God today! Dates are **Monday July 27 through Thursday July 30** from 6pm-8pm each night. Each day we'll go through centers of music, games, crafts, and Bible adventures. The final day (July 30th) will be Family Night where family and friends are invited for a short program and stay for a cookout and a bouncy house in the back area of the church! Please contact Lisa Paulson (912) 604-8149 or Jena Metzler (515) 520-0208 with any questions up to the month of July. Come July, Lisa

Paulson will be stepping in as coordinator and will be able to answer any questions since Baby Metzler will be making her arrival around that time! Register for VBS on our Connection Card or website.

Youth Missional Retreat

Our missional retreat, scheduled for August 3rd through 6th, is for high school youth, including those entering high school this fall. It takes place at Spring Forest in North Carolina, known for its Celtic rhythms, intertwining nature, contemplative practices, and ancient faith traditions. More than just a trip, it's a time to serve, reflect, and grow in faith. Rooted in United Methodist tradition, we blend service with worship, prayer, and reflection. The cost, approximately \$1,000, covers flights, transportation, retreat participation, and meals during the retreat—though travel meals may be extra. Spots are limited, so a \$100 deposit is required by June 7th to secure a place. To indicate interest, sign up on the Connection Card or online. If you have questions, contact Lisa at swym2019@gmail.com

The Flock, Sunday August 9, 5:00 p.m.

Fellowship and Informational Meeting for Youth, Parents, and Siblings

"The Flock" is the name given to a monthly gathering for an informational meeting for youth, parents, and siblings. Snacks available. Sign up online or on the Connection Card.

Still Waters Women's Retreat

Join us for a Women's Retreat August 28th – 30th, 2026 at Mt. Morris Camp and Retreat Center, W6016 Blackhawk Road, Wautoma, WI. 54982. Our focus will be on Self Care and the Bible. Cost is \$210/person based on a shared room. Price includes lodging, dinner on Friday, Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday, as well as all program costs. The Black Oak Lodge sleeps 19 and boasts a full kitchen as well as a gathering room with a fireplace. In addition to being surrounded by wooded walking paths, there is a beautiful pool which, weather permitting, we will be able to use. Food is always delicious, plentiful and thoughtfully prepared with dietary restrictions in mind. We will gather late afternoon on Friday and conclude after streaming Sunday Service on Sunday. Any questions, please feel free to contact Robin Olson. Sign up online or on your Connection Card.

Solar Panel Updates!

After receiving your positive input and feedback, and after our Accountable Leadership Board voted unanimously on June 16 to go ahead with the solar panel project, our trustees have chosen Endries Solar and Electric LLC as our solar panel provider. There are several steps to take, including getting required permits, etc. Once ready, the solar panel project will be scheduled according to Endries' availability for installation. We are mindful that the sooner we schedule the project, the sooner we will experience significant cost reduction in our monthly bill! We are hopeful that the panels will be installed this year. The actual solar panel installation, once scheduled, will take about a week. We'd like to encourage you to be thinking about your willingness to contribute financially to this project. We realize that not everyone will be able to do so, but if you are in a position to help that would be awesome! More on that in weeks to come. If you have questions, feel free to contact myself (Pastor Lori), Business Manager John Haas, or anyone on our ALB Board (Fred Kandel, Kristin Miles, Dean Maytag, Denise Bonlender, Robin Olson, Diana Schoen, and Guy Hoppe.) Thank you!

On this 4th of July weekend, I pray for your safety, for celebration, and for our country and our world.

See you Sunday!

Pastor Lori