



Birthdays & Anniversaries

THOSE SERVING IN



Elders/Ushers:

- 3: Bill Breitenkamp, Ryan Branning, Ryan Irvin
- 10: Richard Rieck, Darryl Pagel, John Vulgamott
- 17: Bill Breitenkamp, Harrison Hayes, Ryan Branning
- 24: Dale Blue, Ryan Irvin, Darryl Pagel
- 31: Rick George, John Vulgamott, Harrison Hayes

Altar:

Lavonne Breitenkamp

Screens:

- 3: Beth Brandt
- 10: Jo Reaman
- 17: Emily Bochmann
- 24: Lorilee Seiser
- 31: Arlene Blue

Organists:

Lavonne Breitenkamp

Greeters:

- 3:
- 10: Jan Reinhardt & Shirley Bowman
- 17: Dale & Arlene Blue
- 24: LoEda Paine
- 31: Emily Bochmann & Nancy Long

Audio/Visual:

- 3: Renate Venegas
- 10: Linda George
- 17: Jasmin/Lila Venegas
- 24: Will Breitenkamp
- 31: Renate Venegas

- 1: Jasmin Venegas, Bill Breitenkamp, Magdalene Breitenkamp, **Rick & Beverly Timm**
- 2: Nick Phiwthong Bunpan
- 5: Kyle Brueggeman, Anthony Punkham
- 7: James Bray Jr.
- 8: Arlene Blue, **Victor & Laura Weisberg**
- 10: Avie Royster
- 11: Daniel Loughry
- 13: Susan Bromm
- 15: Rylan Clabaugh, Kirt Seiser
- 17: Andrea Grimsley
- 18: Somboun Chanthayod, **Darryl & Julie Pagel**
- 19: Jaxin McBride, Damian Vongsee
- 20: Dominic Khaleet, Wayne Johnson, **Rick & Linda George**
- 23: Melissa Davis, **Tim & Kaasie Doering**
- 25: Gretchen Anderson
- 26: Bonnie Paschke, **Jeff & Lynette Brandt**
- 27: Bob Heinen, Adam Royster
- 28: Jodi Clabaugh, Andrew Washington
- 30: Brian Reinhardt

PAROCHIAL REPORT FOR APRIL

Baptized: 459

Confirmed: 296

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Worship Times

Sunday School & Bible Class @ 9:00 am
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 Lao Sunday School & Bible Class @ 12
 Lao Divine Service @ 1:00 pm

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 Administrative Assistant

From the Pastor's Desk

May 2026

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

I want to take a moment this month to say THANK YOU to our wonderful church musicians: our organists Lavonne Breitenkamp and Diane Doering, and Jo Reaman who directs our Joy Ringers hand bell choir. God's people have always employed music in the worship of our Lord. The Psalms are the hymn book of scripture. Moses and Miriam led the Israelites in song after the Lord brought the people through the Red Sea. Mary sang for joy when she learned that she would be the mother of our Lord, and Simeon sang when the Lord's Word was fulfilled in Jesus' presentation at the Temple.



In the Lutheran Church, we are blessed with a rich musical heritage. The Reformation came at a time in the church's life when sacred music had become more of a performance than the teaching tool God intends it to be. While the monastic choirs of the middle ages sang beautifully, the congregation largely sat in silence, hopefully picking up on a scrap of theological content here or there (most new little to no Latin). The resurgence of congregational singing was slow to take off at first (you know how difficult it is for Lutherans to change), but before long Lutherans were boldly confessing their faith in song, under the leadership of faithful church musicians. (continued on page 2)

May Events

Tuesdays: **Christians In Action** @ 9:00 am
Food Pantry: May 5, 12, 26
 @ 4-6:00 pm
Mobile Food Pantry May 19 at St. Paul's

MEETINGS:

Board of Trustees: May 6 @ 6:00pm
Board of Ed: May 6 @ 4:30pm
Board of Evangelism & Fellowship: May 6 @ 6:00pm
Board of Elders: May 11 @ 7:00pm
LWML: May 18 @ 1:30pm

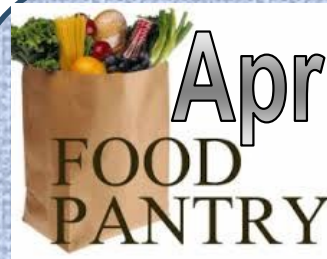
(please let church office know June's schedule by May 20)

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Luther himself was a major proponent of singing hymns to teach the faith. While *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* is almost certainly his most well-known hymn, his catechetical (teaching) hymns *Dear Christians One and All Rejoice* and *Salvation Unto Us Has Come* demonstrate Luther's observation that setting text to music makes memorization easier. This is why so much of the liturgy is set to music: when we sing, we remember. Even little children can learn Mary's words of faith in the Magnificat. God's grey-haired saints, even when suffering from memory loss, know the sound of the Kyrie: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.

For this learning and growth to happen, God's people need musicians to lead them in song. Not to perform for them, but to genuinely lead them and bring into their ears the beautiful melodies that teach and confess the truth. I thank God for the faithful service of our church musicians, and I pray that the Lord would continue to work through them and their gifts for the good of His holy people.

In Christ,
 Pastor Pierson



April Report

as of 04/21

Food Pantry: 130 Families 433 Individuals
Mobile Food Pantry: 130 Families 281 Individuals

For May, we would like donations of
 Breakfast Cereal, Pasta, Pasta Sauce Canned Fruits,
 and Toothbrushes

*Thank you to everyone who helped with the
 food pantry or mobile food bank!*

Contact Phyllis Bisbee if you can help with the

2026 Bible Reading

May

- 1 - II Samuel 5-9
- 2 - Psalms 51-53
- 3 - Job 35-36
- 4 - Jeremiah 27-31
- 5 - Mark 15-16
- 6 - II Corinthians 4-5
- 7 - Exodus 21-24
- 8 - II Samuel 10-14
- 9 - Psalms 54-56
- 10 - Job 37-38
- 11 - Jeremiah 32-36
- 12 - Luke 1-2
- 13 - II Corinthians 6-8
- 14 - Exodus 25-28
- 15 - II Samuel 15-19
- 16 - Psalms 57-59
- 17 - Job 39-40
- 18 - Jeremiah 37-41
- 19 - Luke 3-4
- 20 - II Corinthians 9-10
- 21 - Exodus 29-32
- 22 - II Samuel 20-24
- 23 - Psalms 60-62
- 24 - Job 41-42
- 25 - Jeremiah 42-46
- 26 - Luke 5-6
- 27 - II Corinthians 11-13
- 28 - Exodus 33-36
- 29 - I Kings 1-4
- 30 - Psalms 63-65
- 31 - Proverbs 1

CLASS OF 2026 SENIOR



Jasmin Venegas

Angel Ramirez

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