



## Mission Statement Of St Paul Lutheran Church

Led by the Holy Spirit we will

REACH out to those in need

PREACH the Good News of Jesus Christ

TEACH the grace of a loving God

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# Alive

FEBRUARY 9TH & 10TH, 2019

Join us for an all women's overnight retreat!  
Come experience a renewal of your spirit,  
and connection to Christ that will leave you feeling  
spiritually recharged!

Enjoy a weekend filled with prayer, worship,  
new friendships, and great food.

Hear testimonies of God's work in the lives  
of today's women. Leave your stress and worries  
behind and join us for this amazing  
life changing weekend.

Women of all denominations are welcome!

Register Online:

<https://rechargeretreat2019.eventbrite.com>

Have Questions? Call Julie Sasseen @ 419-956-1267



DEEP ROOTS WELLNESS PRESENTS

## MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

An effort to make mental health first aid  
as common as CPR.

Sat. March 2, 2019

8 AM to 5 PM

St. John United Church of Christ

\$20 per person (materials fee)

Please call 419-239-2113 or go to our  
Facebook page: Deep Roots Wellness  
and click on event to register.

Registration Deadline: Feb. 12th

PASTOR:  
WORSHIP:

The Rev. David Brobston  
Sunday School at 9:00 am  
Confirmation at 9:00 am  
Worship/Communion at 10:15 am

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Simulcast on 102.7 FM



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

As I said at the beginning of Pastor Tamara Wood's funeral. "The date of Easter is determined by an ancient formula that has not changed in centuries. Easter shall be on The First Sunday, following the First Full Moon, following the Vernal Equinox." That means that there are years that Easter is very early on the calendar and years that Easter is very late on the calendar. This year Easter is about as late as it can be given that ancient formula. Easter 2019 will be April 21<sup>st</sup>. Since Easter is the movable Feast and everything else flows from Easter that means that Ash Wednesday will not be until the 6<sup>th</sup> of March and that Pentecost will not be until the 9<sup>th</sup> of June.

That ancient formula has a big impact on our planning and calendars. This means this year that the Bishop's Bible Study will begin on March 10<sup>th</sup>, and since Pentecost is not until after school is out, that Council in consultation with families has decided to move Confirmation Sunday to May 19<sup>th</sup> – which is the Fifth Sunday of Easter and not at the Feast of Pentecost as is the tradition at St. Paul's. Please note this is a ONE TIME movement of Confirmation and will be revisited every time that the Festival of Pentecost comes at such a late time in the calendar year.

Also, at the Annual Meeting it was decided by the congregation that Easter Worship will be ONE FESTIVAL SERVICE at our normal 10:15 Worship Time. Breakfast will begin at 9:00 AM followed by our Easter Festival Worship Service.

I would like to give a huge thank you to Jim Ehlinger, Shirley Keller, and Bill Parker for their service to our congregation on Congregation Council this past year. If you were at the Annual Meeting you will know that we had a very good year – attendance was down a bit because it ONLY SNOWS ON SATURDAY – but our giving was very good and we were able to finish the year in the black. Give yourselves a huge round of applause for that, it is rare in this day and age. Also, our membership grew this past year and looks to grow again this year as many new families have expressed an interest in joining SPLC.

A big welcome to the 2019 Council: President Jason Frederick, President Elect Ryan Mack, Treasurer Lori Brandt, Secretary Stacy Barker, Trustee Dick Burk, Stewardship Andrea Wardinski, Outreach Jenna Pauley. We look forward to a great 2019 as we move towards our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2020.

With the weather outside I am tempted to close by saying, "That's the news from Lake Wobegon" but instead let me say – Please stay warm and safe. God loves you and so do I.

Blessings  
PD+

**SCHEDULES FOR FEBRUARY 2019****LECTOR:** Joe Hiler

**USHERS:** 03 Team #1, Jason Frederick, Capt.  
 10 Team #1, Jason Frederick, Capt.  
 17 Team #2, Buggs Sierra, Capt.  
 24 Team #2, Buggs Sierra, Capt.

**FLOWERS:** 03 AVAILABLE  
 10 Jim & Mary Ehlinger  
 17 Dyle & Eleanor Roth  
 24 AVAILABLE

**When you have flowers, please ask that days usher captain to remove them from the altar for you. Thank you.**

**BULLETINS:** 03 Bill L& Jane Parker  
 10 AVAILABLE  
 17 Dyle & Eleanor Roth  
 24 Mary Geiger

**COMMUNION SET-UP/PRESENT:**

03 John &amp; Mary Dale

**COMMUNION SET-UP/SERVERS:**

03 Lori Brandt, Julie Sasseen  
 10 Stacy Barker  
 17 Jason Frederick  
 24 Lori Brandt

**LAY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTORS**

Mert Grogg  
 Tim Moog  
 Jim & Cathy Martin  
 Dyle & Eleanor Roth

**ACOLYTES:**

03 Lexi Barker, Leia Wardinski

**CRUCIFER:**

Calib Brashear

**AVG WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT 2019**

January - 86

**FINANCIAL REPORT 2018**

January	Income	\$ 19,813.19
	Expense	(\$ 19,986.11)
	Total	(\$ 172.92)
February	Income	\$ 16,052.35
	Expense	(\$ 21,858.91)
	Total	(\$ 5,804.56)
March	Income	\$ 19,212.68
	Expense	(\$ 20,354.90)
	Total	(\$ 1,142.22)
April	Income	\$ 26,161.54
	Expense	(\$ 38,148.26)
	Total	(\$ 11,986.72)
May	Income	\$ 36,282.09
	Expense	\$ 23,968.75
	Total	\$ 12,313.34
June	Income	\$ 12,543.60
	Expense	(\$ 16,845.76)
	Total	(\$ 4,302.16)
July	Income	\$ 22,024.69
	Expense	(\$ 22,835.33)
	Total	(\$ 810.64)
August	Income	\$ 16,591.96
	Expense	(\$ 22,854.13)
	Total	(\$ 6,262.17)
September	Income	\$ 19,567.64
	Expense	\$ 18,937.71
	Total	\$ 629.93
October	Income	\$ 19,567.64
	Expense	\$ 18,937.71
	Total	\$ 629.93
November	Income	\$ 24,127.21
	Expense	\$ 22,017.02
	Total	\$ 2,110.19
December	Income	\$ 29,993.54
	Expense	\$ 20,457.91
	Total	\$ 9,535.63

## Our love and prayers go out to...

Please continue to raise our nation, its leaders, and our personnel "in harm's way" in your prayers. Let us not forget to pray for them and to thank God for His blessings. We, as Christians, should also witness God's love by praying for our enemies in all this. Keep in mind Christ died and was raised from the dead for them also and we were called in our Baptism to witness to the entire world. We particularly commend the following who are members of our congregation:

**Major Tamara Funari,**

Daughter of Ron and Connie Allgire

**Sgt. Kerry Schnitz,**

Son of Larry and Cheryl Burroughs

**We also remember in prayer those relatives of members.**

**St. Sgt. Mark Beck,**

Son-in-law of Wayne Davis

**Buck Sgt. Joshua T Bell, USAF,**

Nephew of Laurie Moll

**SFC E7 James Fluechtling,**

Grandson of Mary Frost

**USAF Jason Griffith,**

Grandson of Howard and June Burke

**USM 2nd Lt. Dustin Hughes,**

Grandson of Barb Bibler

**PFC E-3 Cole Jennings,**

Grandson of Roger and Mert Grogg

**Sgt. Chad McDaniel,**

Grandson of Barb Bibler

**Carl Melton,**

Nephew of Al and Dee King

**Staff Sgt. Kendra Oehlerich,**

Granddaughter of Charlotte Warncke

**OS2 Tim Rau,**

Nephew of Joe and Theresa Hiler

**SFC Frank Steed,**

Step-brother of Pastor Dave

**Sgt. Gaylord Proxmire III,**

Son of Gaylord & Pat Proxmire

**USM Micajah Hagerman,**

Son of Jolene Hagerman

**Members of the military in active service and their families. We are honored and pleased to pray for those in need. We do ask that persons asking for non members to be listed will keep us updated monthly.**

*If you wish to send a card or note to any of our members in the service contact the church office for addresses. If you have address corrections for members in the military, please contact us. Thank you.*

### Prayer list information

Next time you're about to submit a request for inclusion on the prayer list please ask the following questions.

- 1 Did that person give permission to the office?
- 2 Does that person wish the information to be shared publicly? If the answer to either question is "NO" your prayer request violates the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA).

If we do not have personal permission for inclusion we will only publish first names. *These are the guidelines from the ELCA provided at last Fall's Synod Conference meetings.*

### Our love and prayers go out to...

Keith Ashbacher	Coit Black	Mary Decker	Debbie Doan
Fred Fitzenrider	Sharon Fitzenrider	Mary Frisinger	Kenny Frost
Mary Frost	Roger Grogg	Hal Haviland	Larry Heilman
Liz Hermiller	Shelly Hermiller	Janice Johansen	Ruth Johnson
Charlene Larson	Brenda Leonard	Tammy McCoy	Ron McDowell
Jodie Mellos	Dani Merillat	Kim Meyer	Al Moll
J.T. Nusbaum	Dean Purdy	Marilyn Purdy	Esther Reimund
Kristen Sanders	Kathy Smith	Ella Suderman	Barb Warncke
Alexis	Alice	Anne	Ashley
Becky Z	Ben Z.	Bill	Carol
Chris	Corbin	Devin	Dillon
Don	Doug	Elaine	Eric
Jerry	Jim	Joanne	Jodi
John	Jon	Judy	Larry
Laura	Les	Linda	Lori
Lucas	Maddie	Marlene	Martha
Marvin	Mary	Matt	Myka Joy
Pat	Paul	Pauline	Phyllis
Richard	Roland	Sally	Sandy
Scott	Sheena	Stacey	Steve
Steven	Sue	Tammy	Thelma
Tom			

And to the family and friends of Rev. Tamara Wood & Vera Mae Scott.  
May light perpetual shine upon them.

### ***Those who are in nursing homes, assisted living and extended illnesses:***

June Burke, Pauline Cordray, Jeannine Diemer, Ned & Dorothy Dunbar,  
Rosemary Mehring, Brenda Schultz, Wilma Seip, Rachel Sontchi, Charlotte Warncke

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**Also, please be aware that the pastor and church office are not automatically notified of your admission to a hospital, due to the HIPPA laws. If your stay is a planned one, please contact the church office or have a relative contact us. In some cases, even if you tell the hospital it is all right to contact us, it may not occur. You personally contacting the church office should be the primary way the message of your hospitalization reaches the pastor. Thank you for your help in this manner.**

# St. Paul Lutheran February 2019

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 am Sunday School/Confirmation 10:15 am Worship	4	5	6 6-7:30 pm Youth programs 7:00 pm Choir	7 Retreat Set-up	8 Retreat Set-up	9 <b>WOMEN'S RECHARGE RETREAT</b>
10 9:00 am Sunday School/Confirmation 10:15 am Worship <b>RETREAT-CON'T.</b>	11	12 6 pm Church Council	13 6-7:30 pm Youth programs 7:00 pm Choir	14	15 <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>	16
17 9:00 am Sunday School/Confirmation 10:15 am Worship	18	19	20 6-7:30 pm Youth programs 7:00 pm Choir	21	22	23
24 9:00 am Sunday School/Confirmation 10:15 am Worship 1:30 pm Gentle Worship 12:30 pm Afternoon of Discipleship w/meal 1:30 pm Recharge meeting	25	26	27 1pm Beta Circle @ Jane Parker's 6-7:30 pm Youth programs 7:00 pm Choir	28	1	2

## Birthdays

- 2/1 Mary Davis  
Landon Replogle
- 2/2 Jennefer Garcia  
Jake Hartzell  
Gloria Myers
- 2/3 Vivienne Replogle
- 2/4 Amy O'Mara  
Charlotte Warncke
- 2/6 Julia Bauer  
Doug Davis  
Joe Hiler  
Tim Leonard  
Al Maag
- 2/7 Karissa Schnitz
- 2/8 Ryan Voll
- 2/9 Dan Bowen  
Evan Ehlinger  
Jim Ehlinger  
Bruce Griffith
- 2/10 Chesney George  
Jaxon Weaver
- 2/11 Nicole Huddleston
- 2/13 Mollie Roberts
- 2/14 Pat Bohn  
Wayne Davis
- 2/15 Alyssia McDowell
- 2/16 Renae Noffsinger  
Julie Schutt
- 2/17 Baine Dingus  
Janice Doeden  
Zoe Gomez
- 2/18 Bowen Schultz  
Tammy Szabo
- 2/19 Mia Kammeyer
- 2/20 Skyler Grosenbacher  
Michelle Noffsinger  
Luke Szabo
- 2/21 Stella Faykosh
- 2/22 Kari Austin  
Peter Haines  
Eric Rittenour  
Mike Rittenour
- 2/23 Brette Griffith
- 2/24 Ryne Maag
- 2/25 Ron McDowell  
Brenden Wicks
- 2/27 Caroline Turner  
Ryan Yeager
- 2/28 Harry Brown

## February 2019 Birthdays & Anniversaries

### Baptism Anniversaries

- 2/1 Dinger McBride  
Layne Paxton
- 2/5 Trenton Florence
- 2/9 Grant Miller  
Cheryl Rosebrock
- 2/10 Phillip Block  
Brian Fedderke
- 2/12 Ashley Snyder
- 2/13 Matt Haviland
- 2/14 Becky Gutman  
Julie Sasseen
- 2/15 Judy Hasch  
Mike Roth
- 2/17 Jim Ehlinger
- 2/18 Chris Bauer  
June Burke
- 2/22 Steve Rittenour
- 2/23 Cody Griffith  
Layla Hagerman  
Symara Hagerman  
Taylor VanCleve
- 2/24 Doug Cooper
- 2/25 Noah Gomez  
Piper Hampton  
Brenden Wicks
- 2/26 John Berthold  
Zada Kochel
- 2/27 Dick Burk  
Brian McDowell
- 2/28 Heath Ehlinger

### Wedding Anniversaries

- 2/1 Bill & Jane Parker
- 2/2 Heath & Brandi Ehlinger
- 2/10 Michael & Lindsey Bailey
- 2/14 Bill & Pat Smith
- 2/16 Dyle & Eleanor Roth
- 2/20 Matt & Kacey Hampton
- 2/21 Stan & Kelly Hartzell
- 2/24 Bernie & Diana Horzelski
- 2/25 Tim & Brenda Leonard

### Memorials...

#### *In Memory of Agnes Rudolph General Fund*

Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Ricker  
Shirley Keller

#### *In Memory of Vera Mae Scott Endowment Fund*

Mr. & Mrs. John Boesling

#### *In Memory of Robert Smith General Fund*

Rosemary Mehrling  
Nancy Plassman

Help me keep our records accurate!!!!  
If your birthday or anniversary is not here or is  
not correct **PLEASE** let me know 419-782-5771  
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Thanks,  
Lynn



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### **STAFF**

<b>Presiding Bishop</b>	<b>Rev. Elizabeth Eaton</b>
<b>NWO Bishop</b>	<b>Rev. Daniel Beaudoin</b>
<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Rev. David Brobston</b>
<b>Dir. of Youth &amp; Family</b>	<b>Julie Sasseen</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Lynn Roth</b>
<b>Sexton</b>	<b>Jane Tuttle</b>
<b>Organist</b>	<b>Lori Schultz</b>
<b>Music Director</b>	<b>Steven Wendell</b>
<b>Nursery Attendant</b>	<b>Kim Alvarado</b>

### **Church Council**

<b>President</b>	<b>Jason Frederick</b>
<b>V. President</b>	<b>Ryan Mack</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Lori Brandt</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Stacy Barker</b>
<b>Discipleship</b>	<b>Jenna Pauley</b>
<b>Trustee</b>	<b>Dick Burk</b>
<b>Stewardship</b>	<b>Andrea Wardinski</b>

### **Agencies Supported By St. Paul**

**Lutheran Home Society**  
**Lutheran Social Services**  
**LSS- Western Region Office**  
**Filling Home**  
**LOMO**  
**Aya Secondary School- Dodoma Diocese,**  
**ELC Tanzania**  
**RAVENS**  
**Project Share**  
**Northwestern Ohio Synod**  
**WELCA**  
**Habitat for Humanity**

