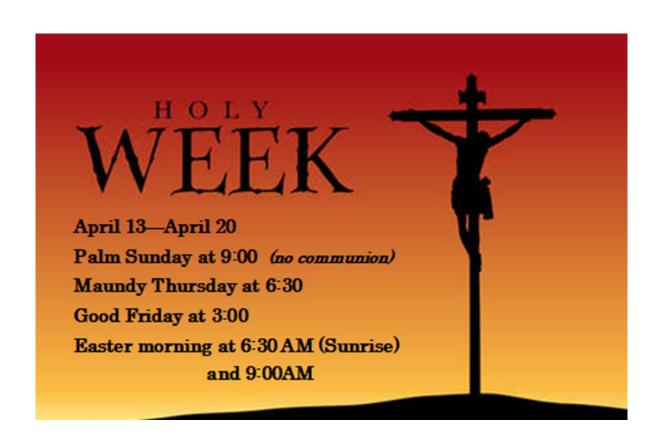
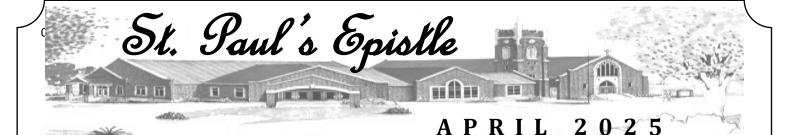
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Every year on Good Friday, I turn to the Stations of the Cross as the format for our service. Years ago, Kaia and I had the opportunity to walk the Via Dolorosa, Latin for the way of sorrow. Doing so was a very moving and memorable experience. For any unaware, this is the traditional route Jesus walked while carrying his cross on the way to Golgotha. Chapels are located along the way commemorating the various steps Our Lord took; enabling the individuals or group of folks to stop, pause, and reflect upon the stages of Jesus passage.

Not only do I feel Good Friday is the correct occasion to reexamine this journey, but also to bring the congregation along to the best of our abilities, as the overwhelming majority will never participate firsthand walking the streets of Jerusalem.

A primary question that any institution of faith needs to answer would be something along the lines of: is there a path that enables resilience in the midst of tragedy. Can I be sustained regardless of what I may face? One of the most effective means to rising above any painful experience of life is to expose yourself to the pain of existence. Acknowledge that it is real. The cross, in many ways, is the embodiment of the suffering of mortality.

Thankfully, I do not foresee any of us uncovering the answer in such a dramatic fashion, but we can orient ourselves to embody a similar spirit. When there is a combination of faith, steadfastness, and resilience, you are actively putting yourself together in a manner that enables ourselves to face and overcome whatever may await. The results of Holy Week and the victory in the resurrection are the foundation that all else is built upon. It is a story you know but needs to be heard again and again.

Pastor Timothy Holt

<u>St. Paul's Lutheran Church Mission Statement</u> Worship Boldly, Empower for Discipleship, Cultivate Spiritual Maturity, Strengthen Community, Serve.



APRIL

4/01 Dennis Neukam 4/02 Jordan Bauer

4/03 Maris Batule Hilda Angerer

4/04 Katelyn Mehringer

4/07 Sonya Barnes Carolyn Ruckriegel

4/08 Jacob Kabrick John Wessel

4/09 Micky Jarboe Fletcher Myrick

4/13 Steven Buchta Tiffany Seitz

4/14 Kevin Kalb Clint Seitz Debbie Sendelweck

BIRTHDAYS

4/17 Shirley Stallwood Julie Hoffman

4/20 Dorothy Hautsch Benjamin Potts

4/22 Addisyn Kempf **Travis Roach**

4/23 Lisa Himsel Jeff Ruckriegel

4/25 Rudy Krodel

4/26 Kole Kalb

4/27 Bryan Buchta

4/28 Ruger Freyberger **Tony Monetta**

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

4/03 Scott & Mary Beth Lottes

4/06 Blaine & Mariah Storer

4/07 Bryan & Debra Fehribach 4/14 Stewart & Nicole Thomas

4/18 Melvin & Dorothy Meyer

Chris & Tara Betz

4/22 Ron & Debbie Bauer

4/23 Steve & Bobbie Hautsch Justin & Jessie Lichlyter Paul & Debbie Roach

4/24 Conor & Taylor Hart Gene & Rhonda Nigg

The members of St. Paul's unani-

mously passed on First Reading all six

amendments to the church constitu-

tion at a Special Congregation Meeting on Sunday March 23, 2025. Final

adoption will be considered at a fu-

ture congregation meeting.

4/26 Don & Arlene Vonderheide



February Attendance

February 2, 2025	158
February 9, 2025	146
February 16, 2025	88
February 23, 2025	133
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In Service to Our Country

Austin Breitwieser Redzikowo, Poland Virginia Beach, VA AMC Luke Himsel Cooper Uebelhor Colorado Springs, CO Devin Wilson Camp Arifjan Kuwait **FOOD BANK ITEM FOR APRIL IS: CANNED FRUIT**







The next WELCA meeting will be on Tuesday, April 1st at 6:30 PM. Program will be led by Tina Terwiske and students with Jeep Engineering.



WELCA (Women of the ELC) held their March meeting at Family Roots Nursery. Prior to the business meeting, Aaron Peters, assisted by son Bryce, shared planting tips with the group and then everyone potted a basket of flowering Spring bulbs. It was a great night of fun and fellowship!





Almost 1,200 pounds of ham salad made by hand over the past three days! Couldn't do it without the group of dedicated volunteers that give so generously of their time to make this project a success every six months! And a huge shout out to our customers who ORDER all the product, and come calling for more! We are a fortunate congregation to have so many great folks on both sides of the counter!



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Haysville Ruritan Easter Egg Hunt April 19 @ St Paul's Church @ 12:00 P.M. For Kids through 5th Grade





St. Paul's Women of the ELCA- March 4, 2025 meeting

The Women of St. Paul's ELCA met on March 4 at Family Roots Nursery at 6:00 PM. 14 members and guests attended. We began by touring the nursery and were introduced to new varieties of plants available for spring planting. All were then able to make potted plants to take home.

The meeting began with a devotion by Darlene Ziegler; God has a plan for everyone. Offering and a prayer by Nancy Freyberger followed.

The secretary's report was read and approved. Treasurer's report was read. Motion to accept by Marie Neukam and seconded by Kathy Jarboe, motion was approved.

Program and Fellowship reported our next meeting will be led by members of the Northeast Dubois Jeep Engineering class.

Stewardship and Service: Personal Care Kits will be collected during the Lenten season. 112 blankets have been completed. March blanket tacking dates are 13th and 27th.

Visiting reports were read by Darlene Ziegler.

Old business:

- Women need to meet at church at 3:30 on Wednesday 3/5 to begin preparing the Lenten meal, serving begins at 5:30.
- World Day of Prayer will take place on March 7, at Precious Blood Church.
 Beginning at 9 a.m.
- Ham salad will be made on March 10th and 11th.
- Waiting to hear from Council on the purchase of new tables for basement.

New Business:

- Family Roots will take care of Decorating the Crosses for Easter.
- Birthday Cakes and bakers in newsletter were incorrect. Follow the list in your WELCA Book.
- A suggestion was made to use the money in CD for something that is needed.
 More discussion at next meeting.
- Thank yous were read from Crisis Connections and Purdue Extension Office.
- Birthday Cakes for March: Robert Huebner (7th) by Jamie Harris, Pat Opel (12th) by Jeanne Hoffman,
- Juanita Hembree (14th) by Vicky Eisenhut, Delbert Sendelweck (25th) by Marilyn Shelton, Ella Himsel (30th) by Vicky Eisenhut.
- March committees are: No flowers during lent. However, Tara Uebelhor and Tina Terwiske will be selling Lilies of Easter.
- Visiting will be Marie Neukam and Linda Mason. Linda will also send cards.
- Refreshments were by Darlene Ziegler.
- Darlene thanked the February committees: Visiting Sue Striegel and Mary Bauer, cards Darlene Ziegler.
- Flowers were Kathy Jarboe.

With no further business, meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Secretary, Jeanne Hoffman









LYO set up a taco bar for the guests and delivered the donations collected during the month of December. Thanks to all of the congregation members for donating items from the wish list and thanks to our awesome, devoted group for helping with the delivery!



