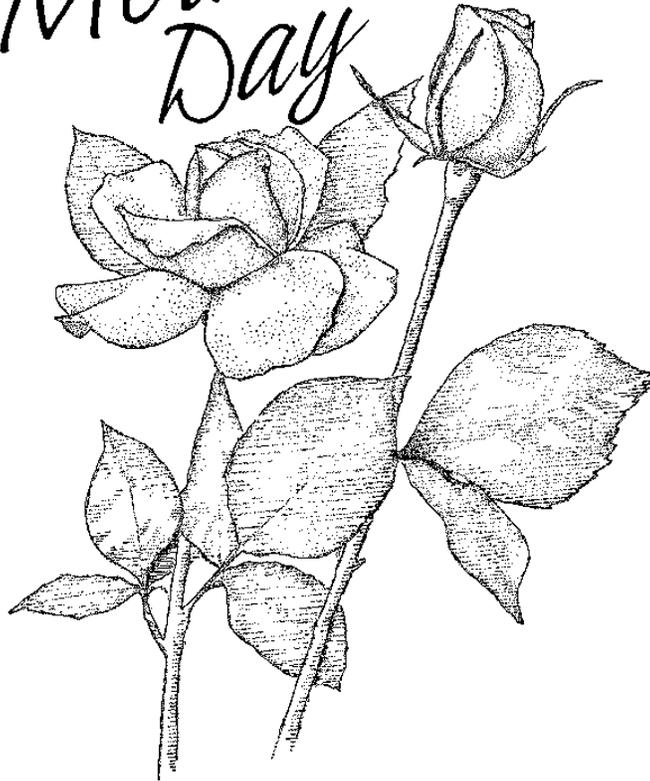


**SEASONS
MAY 2018**

**St. Paul Lutheran Church
2860 East Market Street
Warren, OH 44483
330-394-5741**

*Mother's
Day*



**SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30 am
SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:30 am**

FROM PASTOR ANN MARIE WINTERS: *“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.”* 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

I don't know what your home and work lives have been like this Spring, but the church has been bustling with activity. My own life and ministry have engaged me in these happenings:

- Four young girls are preparing to receive their First Communion on April 22. I am so happy to see their enthusiasm and joy for learning about Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of his body and blood. They are Hadley Basalyga, Giada Frazzini, and Olivia and Ava Waldron. May God bless them!
- The Grand-Families support group has been evaluated as a very positive impact for the participants and the children. We at St. Paul have committed to continue twice-a-month sessions and we are blessed to serve these wonderful people in the life of our community.
- There are three people who are set up to attend new member classes at St. Paul. David Perkins, Rose Zavatsky, and Laura Zornan are certainly welcome additions to the life of our community. Make a point to welcome them with open arms if you haven't already met them.
- I am so happy to be planning marriage to David Perkins on Saturday, May 19. You are all welcome to join us for this joyous occasion and to celebrate with our families and friends. You are among the closest companions in this daily walk of life. We will be honored by your presence.
- Confirmation for our six teens will be a grand event on Pentecost, May 20. Celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit falling afresh on Ean and Ethan Dodge, Jordan Eaton, Hunter and Christian Groves, and Chelsea Moorhead. What better affirmation of the vitality of our church than the involvement of this band of disciples.
- The Sabbatical Task Force is busy planning intergenerational summer events for preschoolers, elementary kids, and teens. They are also making ready plans to welcome Pastor Lang Collins on June 4 to work in my place through the summer months.

These are not the only ministry events happening during the month, and that means that everyone should find something to enjoy and participate in. Perhaps you will be here giving your talents, time, and treasure – again and again. Do it in devotion to our Lord Jesus Christ. He is the head of his body, the Church. And pray that we may be one in Christ!

“Now you are the Body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.” 1 Corinthians 12:27

Your pastor in Christ,
Pastor Ann Marie Winters

JOINING HANDS / JOINING HEARTS: Rev. Ann Marie Winters and David Allen Perkins invite you to share in the joy of their wedding **Saturday, May 19, 2018**, at 11:00 in the morning at St. Paul Lutheran Church; refreshments to follow. (We're joining two households: no gifts please.)

CELEBRATE GRAND-FAMILIES: "Celebrate Grand-families" is a new support group for grandparents raising their grandchildren. St. Paul is reaching out to support these families with Christian compassion and a place to meet and discuss their needs. We are starting with the group with five families from the community, and more are welcome, if you know of anyone who would fit in. While the women meet, we will have crafts, games, bible stories, snacks, help with homework, tutoring, and a fun social time for children. Church members are needed to help with the children. Sessions in April will be on **Saturdays, May 12 and 26**, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. Please contact Brenda Ceplecci or Pastor Winters to help.

ST. PAUL NEWS & EVENTS

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Remembering those with medical challenges:

Debbie Bartlett, Elaine Benka, Ron Benka, Jerry Groves, Don Hazel, Carol Hipple, Wally Hipple, Jim Illencik, Carolyn Marsh, Roy Seibert, Tom Skoczylas, April Williams, Andrea Wollam

Remembering those who are home bound:

Shirlee Chambers, Charles English, Harriette Shaffer

Remembering those with special needs:

Donna Baldwin, Elizabeth Campbell, Cathie Cimini, Marty Cohol, Amber Ellis, Bryan Giocondi, Debi Houlf, Letha Marsh, Mike McMann, Ann Marie Perkins, Anita Rayburn, Cindy Robinson, Deanna Savon, Ondine Shiau, Shelley Town, Lisa Young

Remembering those in the Military:

Joe Baudo, Kirk Groves, Michael Maradin

COFFEE CUP GREETINGS: Held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, May 6 & 20.

BABY/CHILDREN'S RUMMAGE SALE: The Evangelism Committee is sponsoring a Baby/Children's Rummage Sale on **Saturday, May 12**, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Tables may be rented for \$15.00 each. If your children or grandchildren have outgrown their clothing, toys, or other items, this is a great opportunity to sell them to someone who can use them. This is a fundraiser for our Splash ministry, and donations of items would be gladly accepted. Please see Bonnie Thompson or Brenda Ceplecci for more information. Also, please pass this news on to family members, friends, and neighbors if they might be interested.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: Pentecost is **Sunday, May 20**. Please bring red geraniums to decorate the sanctuary and don't forget to wear your red clothing. If you are unable to shop for geraniums yourself but would like to donate, please contact Kay Paajanen at 330-394-7089 and she will purchase the geraniums. Flowers can be brought to the church anytime Friday, Saturday, or early Sunday morning...contact Ruth Sarko at 330-442-7348 to arrange for delivery time.

FROM THE PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Upcoming Events:

May 20 – Confirmation and Reception. We have 6 youth that will make Confirmation. They are Ean and Ethan Dodge, Jordan Eaton, Christian and Hunter Groves, and Chelsea Moorhead.

2018 Seniors – Any high school graduates please submit your bio to the secretary, Lynn, at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

St. Paul Scholarship Applications for undergraduate degree – Applications are available in the church office. Deadline for applications to be submitted is **May 31, 2018**.

June – Northeast Ohio Synod Lutheran Youth Organization is hosting a Summer Lock-in for high school and middle school youth. The dates are **June 8-9, 2018**, at John S. Night Center in Akron and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Akron. Registration deadlines: \$10 by May 1; \$15 by May 15. If interested, please see Debbie Groves for application.

HALL RENTAL: Any member wishing to rent Cassel Hall must call the office to schedule the date to be sure it is not already rented or in use by the church, the Preschool, DAR, the Red Cross, or The Solace Center. There is also paper work which needs to be filled out prior to renting.

FLOWERS AND MEDITATION CANDLES: Weeks are available for purchase, dedicated to your special intentions. The meditation candle is \$5.00 and flowers are \$30.00 for two vases. **Please use an Order Envelope and PREPAY your order at the time that you sign the flower and candle chart. PAYMENT ENVELOPES ARE BY THE FLOWER CHART.** On weeks where there is no paid order, the church will display silk flowers to the Glory of God. Please sign up for your special weeks while they are available.

SPLASH TODAY: Donations are always warmly welcomed, and with your continued support, we will be able to sustain this valuable ministry to young families.

GRIEF MINISTRY: Part of the Social Committee is Grief Ministry. Joyce Osborn (330-372-2136) is spearheading this ministry with Pr. Winters' and God's guidance and help. When a loved one dies, Joyce sends a set of four books called "Journeying through Grief" throughout the first year. Each book describes the issues and feelings that a person tends to encounter at various points of grief and the books offer suggestions on handling them. If Pastor Winters or Joyce can be of any help or if you have any questions during a time of grief, please contact either of them.

DUE TO GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS: In the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), churches and clergy can no longer make written or oral public announcements of health information regarding our members. Thus, unless specifically requested by a member to share other information, we are only able to indicate where a person is hospitalized or that they have been discharged.

BIRTHDAYS:

- 4 = Joyce Osborn
- 7 = George Mendenhall
- 11 = Charles English & Ryan Geilhard
- 12 = Nathaniel Sutton
- 14 = Arlene Sutton
- 15 = Jack Peterson
- 16 = Amanda Mikola
- 18 = Waldo Hipple
- 20 = Marin Davis
- 21 = Tyler Eaton
- 23 = Phillip Lapmardo & William McCleary
- 25 = Danette Werner
- 29 = Lorie Rhine & Glade Ronald Wireman
- 30 = Kathryn Bachinger

ANNIVERSARIES:

- 2 = Wareham, Kenny & Jerry
- 21 = Lapmardo, Phillip & Heidi
- 24 = Skoczylas, Tom & Peggy
- 25 = Lacy, John & Teri

ST. PAUL SERVANTS FOR MAY 2018

Greeters

05/06 Tim & Amy Martin
05/13 Tim & Amy Martin
05/20 Terry & Brenda Ceplecci
05/27 Terry & Brenda Ceplecci

Lectors

05/06 Linda Murray
05/13 Marty Maurice
05/20 Kelly Hutchison
05/27 David Maurice

Flower Delivery

05/06 Judy Muehlbauer
05/13 Joanne Santucci
05/20 June & Kelly Hutchison
05/27 Peggy Skoczylas

Refer to the sheet in the Sacristy for deliveries. Mark the date of delivery opposite the person's name on the sheet. Thank you.

Communion Assistants

05/06 Debbie Groves
05/13 Diana Bauman
05/20 Georgia Mikola
05/27 Lisa Thirion

Acolytes 10:30 service: (agreed dates by parish youth)

05/06 Ean Dodge
05/13 Evan Davis
05/20 Tori Muehlbauer Kyra Mymo – Crucifer
05/27 Ethan Dodge

Acolytes: Please be present ten minutes before the service begins.

If you are unable to acolyte as scheduled, please trade with one of the other acolytes and notify Christine Mymo – 330-647-2913. Thank you for your help! We count on you to be here!

Ushers

05/06 Ron Wireman & Jay Beougher
05/13 Ron Wireman & Jay Beougher
05/20 Kay Paajanen & Diana Bauman
05/27 Kay Paajanen & Diana Bauman

Church Closing

Jerry Null

Visitor Notes

Jean Maurice



St. Paul and Living Lord invite you to Family Day: Corn Hole Tournament & Picnic

- WHAT?** A Family Day to sing, play games, and picnic
- WHERE?** St. Paul Cassel Hall and Front Lawn - Rain or Shine
- WHEN?** Sunday, May 6, 2018
- WHO?** All members of St. Paul and Living Lord are invited to come and support young people and families
- TIME:** Opening Worship Music 12:15, Lunch 1:00, Corn Hole to follow
- LUNCH:** Hotdogs, drinks, chips, potato salad, and dessert will be provided
(Thrivent Action Team grant)

St. Paul and Living Lord are launching youth and family events this Spring and Summer to involve younger generations in our church life. We are looking forward to a “Pre-school Sing-a-long”, an “Elementary Youth Kick-off”, and a “Teen Adventure”. A summer camping event is a possibility if there is enough interest.

St. Paul Leaders: Lyda Vigorito, Katie Bachinger, Drew Thirion, and Jacob Groves
Mentors: Liz Chapin and Debbie Groves

Living Lord Leaders: Stacey Altieri, Darlene Altieri, Lexi Altieri
Mentors: Bob McKinney