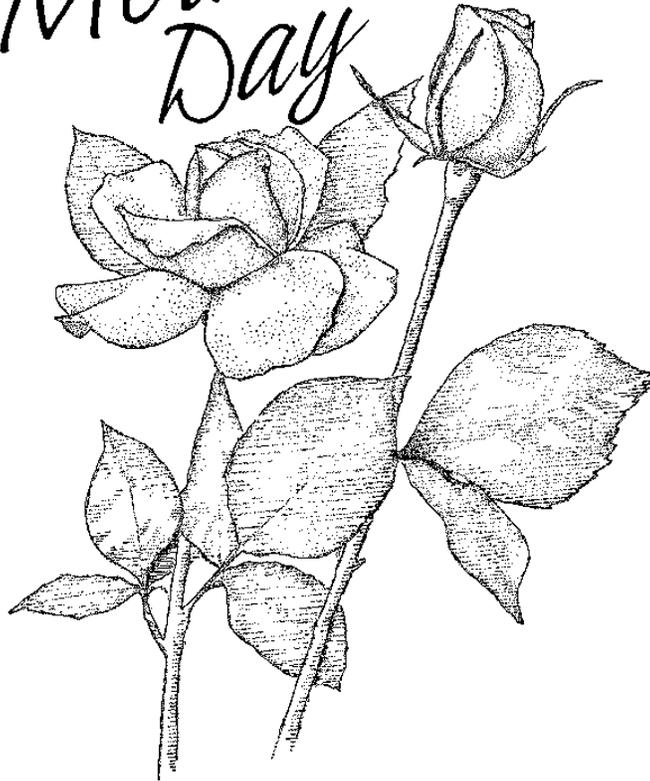


**SEASONS  
MAY 2019**

**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 PERKINS:** Where does the time go? *“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.”* (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

It's already May and that means that a number of things are changing as we enter summer:

- Since the winter, new members have been gathering with us for worship. This month, I will be leading inquiry classes to explore the Lutheran faith and membership at St. Paul. They will be invited to join in June.
- Memorial Day brings the official beginning of summer activities and we will be seeing vacation times coming and going. Our worship time remains constant at 10:30 am on Sundays.
- Classes for Sunday School, Adult Bible Study, and Catechism take a break for the summertime.
- Our visioning for the youth programming will enter a six-month start-up phase where teen programs will be put into place. Other programs for upper and lower elementary students will follow. A Vacation Bible School will be planned for August.
- Youth Servant Week is set for June 30 to July 5 at Camp Frederick. The chicken dinner fundraiser was a big success. Thank you to all who participated. The kids will have a Car Wash on Sunday, May 19, to continue to earn funds for the mission week expenses.

We have so much to be grateful for in our church: excellent worship, a vital fellowship, growing young, healthy relationships, faith...you can add to this list I'm sure. Remember these words of St. Paul as you grow in God's love for you: *“Stand firm in your faith...Let all that you do, be done in love.”* (1 Corinthians 16:15)

Why do we have to grow younger?

**NURSERY FOR CHILDREN DURING WORSHIP:** We are so blessed by the young families and all the children who are worshipping with us on Sunday morning. Our plans for nursery have been so appreciated by families that we can have as many as 8 children in the nursery at a time. So, two caregivers are needed to take care of the children each week during our worship hour. We have 8 volunteers, and we need about 8 more, then everyone will be on a rotation to volunteer **once every three months**. **PLEASE** consider spending time with our littlest members in the nursery. Speak to Pastor Perkins.

**CAR WASH FUNDRAISER:** The teens will be washing cars on Sunday, May 19, during the worship hour for anyone who would like to participate. They will ask your permission and have you park in the designated area. Donations will be gratefully accepted, and they will be used for the mission work to be done by our youth in June.

**INQUIRY AND NEW MEMBER CLASSES:** A good number of newcomers have been joining in St. Paul's worship and activities since the winter months. We are thrilled to be a vital, welcoming congregation. Many have questions about the Lutheran Church, and what it means to be a member of St. Paul. Pastor Ann Marie will be holding classes on Tuesday evenings, May 21 and 28. We will meet at 6:00 pm in the Parlor. Please let Pastor Ann Marie know if you are planning to participate in these sessions where she will teach about our beliefs and answer your questions. For those who wish to join, we will have a New Member Sunday on June 2. If you have any questions or special needs, please ask our Pastor, Ann Marie Perkins.

**CELEBRATE GRAND-FAMILIES:** "Celebrate Grand-families" is a 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 now have 17 families who participate*, 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 May will be on **Saturdays, May 11 and 25**, from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. Please contact Brenda Ceplecci or Pastor Perkins to help.

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## **ST. PAUL NEWS & EVENTS**

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

#### **Praying for members with medical challenges:**

Diana Bartlett, Elaine Benka, Ron Benka, Pastor Richard Bowen, Jacob Groves, Jerry Groves, Stephanie Groves, Jim Illencik, Dave Perkins, Roy Seibert, April Williams, Andrea Wollam

#### **Remembering those who are home bound:**

Charles English, Harriette Shaffer

#### **Remembering those with special needs:**

Lori Akins, Donna Baldwin, Ted Buch, Gini Cage, Elizabeth Campbell, Del Cig, Cathie Cimini, Cathy Cosner, Amber Ellis, Connie Fowler, Bryan Giocondi, Debi Houlf, Edward Kondrad, Mary Ann Lucas, Debbie Merkel, Paulene Mudrinich, Ann Marie Perkins (David's daughter), Anita Rayburn, Cindy Robinson, Dave Seitz, Ondine Shiau, Everett Sillies, Diane Tullis Suloit, Shelley Town, Dean Voye, Mark Voye, Lisa Young

#### **Remembering those in the Military:**

Jonathan Benka, Danielle Greenhill, Kirk Groves, Michael Maradin

**COFFEE CUP GREETINGS:** Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month, May 5 & 19.

**BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT FOR OUR CHURCH:** We need help to move hosta plants to various spots around our church. Please help us! The hosta plants need to be moved now while they are small. We need all the help we can get. We also need to take out some shrubs around our church and plant geraniums by June 15. We will collect money for geraniums and other plants for Pentecost, which is June 9. If you are willing to assist, please contact Kay Paaanen for details.

**A SUPPORTIVE PARENTING GROUP:** A supportive parenting group is beginning at St. Paul for young adults raising their children in faith as they grow in faith and life. Anyone interested should contact Pastor Perkins.

**THANK YOU:** A huge thank you to all that helped in making the Youth's Maundy Thursday Chicken Dinner a huge success. They could never have such a great response if not for the love and support of this congregation, friends, and family.

**RAINBOW NEWS:** What's Been Happening: Wacky Wednesday was a huge success! Art Show and Open House – almost all canvases sold! Enrollment – growing still! We are on target to do what we did two years ago! What's Coming Up: March 28 – Vehicle Day; April 4 – Beach Party; April 18 – Easter Parade; May 2 – Warren Public Library Day; and May 9 – Favorite Ladies Tea.

**HALL RENTAL:** Anyone wishing to rent Cassel Hall must first call the office to schedule the date to be sure it is not already rented or in use by the church, the Preschool, DAR, or the Red Cross. 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. Perkins' 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
- 20 = Marin Davis
- 21 = Tyler Eaton
- 23 = Phillip Lapmardo & William McCleary
- 25 = Danette Werner
- 29 = Lorie Rhine & Glade Ron Wireman
- 30 = Kathryn Bachinger

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

- 2 = Wareham, Kenny & Jerry
- 9 = Czoka, Tom & Laurie
- 21 = Lapmardo, Phillip & Heidi
- 23 = Kester, Theodore & Julie
- 24 = Skoczylas, Tom & Peggy
- 25 = Lacy, John & Teri
- 29 = Basalyga, David & Melanie

## ST. PAUL SERVANTS FOR MAY 2019

### Greeters

05/05 June and Kelly Hutchison  
05/12 June and Kelly Hutchison  
05/19 Tim and Amy Martin  
05/26 Tim and Amy Martin

### Lectors

05/05 Kelly Hutchison  
05/12 Linda Murray  
05/19 Marty Maurice  
05/26 David Maurice

### Flower Delivery

05/05 Peggy Skoczylas  
05/12 Diana Bauman  
05/19 Marty Maurice  
05/26 Joanne Santucci

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

05/05 Lisa Thirion  
05/12 Kay Paajanen  
05/19 Debbie Cravotta  
05/26 Linda Murray

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

05/05 Chelsea Moorhead  
05/12 Sarah Durf  
05/19 Drew Thirion  
05/26 Evan Davis

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

05/05 Ron Wireman & Jay Beougher  
05/12 Ron Wireman & Jay Beougher  
05/19 Kay Paajanen & Diana Bauman  
05/26 Kay Paajanen & Diana Bauman

### Child Care

05/05 Anna Lacy  
05/12 Brenda Ceplecci  
05/19 Anna Lacy  
05/26 Laurie Czoka

### Church Closing

Kelly Hutchison

### Visitor Notes

Jean Maurice